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Carter: Ratify SALT despite Soviet troop presence in Cuba

WASHINGTON (AP). — President Carter says the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty should be ratified by the Senate "on its own merits," despite the presence of Soviet troops in Cuba.

He declared that "Cuba is a puppet of the Soviet Union," and that "Soviet military support for Cuba goes far beyond Cuba's defensive needs."

Carter said the purpose of the Russian unit in Cuba is not clear, but it is not an assault force and does not have weapons capable of attacking the U.S.

Mea She'arim riot leaves 5 police hurt

Five policemen were injured last night by rioting residents of Mea She'arim, following a day of escalated demonstrations on the Ramat road.

Abdul-Shafi's son among suspected Gaza terrorists

Jerusalem Post Reporter Tarik Haider Abdul-Shafi, the 19-year-old son of the prominent Gaza physician, Haider Abdul-Shafi, is among 70 people detained by security forces last week for suspected terrorist activities.

The Fatah group in Gaza admitted to the bombing of the local Bank Discount branch in August of this year and had laid plans for two more attacks, the spokesman said.

Cease-fire in S. Lebanon breaks down at weekend

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies The two-week-old cease-fire in Southern Lebanon was shattered at the weekend by the exchange of heavy artillery and machinegun fire between Palestinian terrorists and the militia forces of Major Saad Haddad in the north in Beirut.

The UN spokesman in Beirut, Samir Sambar, said that Haddad's militia pounded the Norwegian, Dutch and Irish battalions of the eight-nation UN peace-keeping force in Southern Lebanon, UNIFIL, with mortar and tank shells, but inflicted no casualties.

fighter with a SAM-7 missile last week. Israel Radio reported that PLO gunners at the time mistook the Syrian plane for an Israeli jet.

Two suspected cholera cases in Nablus

NABLUS (Him). — A man and a woman believed to have contracted cholera have been hospitalized here. Doctors are awaiting the results of tests before making a final diagnosis.

Jean Seberg found dead in Paris

PARIS (AP). — Jean Seberg, the American actress who disappeared from her Paris flat 10 days ago, was found dead in her car last night in Paris' 16th district, police reported.

The cause of her death was not immediately known, but police said her body was found in a state of decomposition in the back of a white Renault car, covered with a blanket.

Farrah has a fall

CAIRO (UPI). — Farrah Fawcett stumbled and fell to the floor at her first public appearance in Cairo yesterday — a plush cocktail party thrown by George Barris, president of Faberge Inc., and attended by Egyptian movie stars and belly dancers.

Man, what you gonna do with all those rubles?

MOSCOW (UPI). — Elton John loved it, but American blues and jazz band Gatemouth Brown and Gates Express found performing in the Soviet Union an exhausting and frustrating business.

"Our equipment will never be the same again," said Cal Freeman, pedal steel guitar player from Lubbock, Texas. "It got so banged up in travel by the people sent to help us that we were wondering if it would survive the trip."

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A resident examines the remnants of gas containers which exploded in Tel Aviv on Friday night, causing damage and injuries in his building. (See story — Page 2) (Oded Stupnisky)

Weizman to U.S. today for vital aid talks

By HIRSH GOODMAN Post Military Correspondent Defense Minister Ezer Weizman will leave for the U.S. this morning for two weeks of talks intended to define Israel's defence needs over the next decade.

to answer some basic American questions about Israel's policies in Lebanon. His answers will presumably affect America's willingness to supply Israel with modern and sophisticated weapons in the future.

Autonomy work teams meet today in Herzliya

Post Mideast Affairs Editor The Israel-Egyptian working groups handling the mechanism of the projected autonomy for the West Bank and the Gaza Strip are scheduled to meet in Herzliya this afternoon to hammer out differences between their position papers.

The other group, tackling "powers," bogged down on the formulation of an agenda, with Egypt demanding that beatings refer to self-rule powers and Israel insisting on limiting discussion to the creation of a restricted administrative council.

Hussein says he won't join talks

Jerusalem Post Staff In contrast to the flurry of reports circulating in Jerusalem and Cairo, Jordan's King Hussein said over the weekend that he will not join the Israel-Egyptian negotiations on the West Bank and the Gaza strip.

Expressing his disappointment with Washington, the Jordanian monarch said that he may turn to Moscow for the purchase of arms.

Vance to grill Dayan over Lebanon raids

By WOLF BLITZER Jerusalem Post Correspondent WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Cyrus Vance wants Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan to come to Washington next week ready to discuss Israel's pre-emptive bombing strikes against Palestinian terrorist targets in Lebanon, well-placed U.S. sources said yesterday.

understood in Jerusalem. The source said that a mis-understanding probably resulted from President Jimmy Carter's remarks to Israel Ambassador Ephraim Evron during a meeting in the White House on August 8.

Dayan is scheduled to meet here with Vance on September 17-18. The discussions on Lebanon will take place during bilateral sessions, while the still-unresolved matter of a Sinai peace-keeping presence will come up during trilateral meetings with Egyptian Defence Minister Kamel Hassan Ali and Israel Defence Minister Ezer Weizman.

Naturally, Dayan's remarks caused a stir in Lebanon and the Arab world. The administration concluded that it would have to dissociate itself forcefully from them. The response to Dayan came during UN Ambassador Andrew Young's speech before the Security Council on August 29.

Syria still torn by violence

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies Syrian authorities this weekend kept coastal border checkpoints with Lebanon closed, indicating that recent defiance of President Hafez Assad's regime still grips neighbouring provinces.

The Lebanese Christian militia-controlled radio yesterday reported a fresh wave of violence in Latakia and said the city was paralyzed and special paratroop units controlled all approach roads.

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Dayan to Bonn today

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Diplomatic Reporter
Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan leaves for Bonn this morning for a three-day official visit to West Germany. He returns late Tuesday.

14 cases of cholera in Jordan

AMMAN (Reuters). — Fourteen people suffering from cholera have been admitted to hospital in the Jordan Valley, and officials are taking measures to prevent the disease from spreading to the capital, the Health Ministry said yesterday.

Alice and Shlomo Einhorn are happy to announce the birth of their DAUGHTER sister to Shami and Sharon granddaughter to Helena Einhorn Alicija and Michael Fried Assaf Harofe Hospital, Sept. 7, 1979.

Labour meeting sparks talk of party revolt

By SARAH BONIG
Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Is an internal opposition forming within Labour and is Yigal Alon priming himself for a challenge to Shimon Peres for the party leadership? These two questions preoccupy party insiders in Labour gathered at Beit Berl to weigh the possibility of setting up a new ideological circle in the party which might not back the party establishment.

Many of those who attended the prolonged meeting, which lasted more than five hours, were kibbutz movement leaders headed by Mussa Harif. Also present were heads of the Moshav Movement, including Aryo Nehamkin, and central figures in the Haifa, Jerusalem, Herzliya, Petah Tikva and other branches. Bank Hapoalim's Ya'acov Levinson, tipped as Labour's leading candidate for finance minister should the party regain power, took part, as did Solei Boneh's Nattali Blumenthal, Yeshayahu Gavish of Koor, deputy

Histadrut secretary-general Yisrael Kesear, Alisha Tamir, Hava'ar editor Hanna Zemer, Herzliya Mayor Yosef Nivo, MK Uri Baran of Jerusalem, authors S. Yisbar and Hanoch Bartov, and others. Baran explained that the group feels "the Likud government is not functioning, but that Labour, as presently constituted, is not a viable alternative either, and that something must be changed to make it that... This group could serve as a catalyst of new ideas."

Many of the participants, it was noted, take part in the regular meetings held in the offices of Imud kibbutz movement head Mussa Harif. Neither Alon nor any other former Labour Minister were present. Later, about 10 of the participants met to coordinate action against the lightning choice of a Labour convention preparatory committee pushed through last week by Peres.

Shawwa denies support for Sadat's initiative

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Rashad al-Shawwa, the mayor of Gaza, has denied press reports that he supports the peace initiative of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and reaffirmed that the PLO is the "sole and legitimate representative of the Palestinian people."

In a statement published in yesterday's edition of the East Jerusalem daily "Al-Quds," the Gaza mayor describes as "distorted" an interview he gave last week to the Israeli Arabic paper "Al-Anba."

TA gas tank explosion injures four; cause unknown

TEL AVIV (Him). — Police, the fire department and civil defence authorities still do not know what caused Friday night's powerful explosion of gas tanks which left four people injured in an apartment building here.

personnel in the administered territories since the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty in March, most recently with Dr. Hajdar Abd al-Shafi of Gaza and Palestine National Council member Dr. Ahmed Hamza Natshe of Hebron.

The DFLP, one of the smallest but most influential groups sheltering under the "umbrella" of the PLO, claimed responsibility in June for the killing of the imam of Gaza, Sheikh Hashem Huzandar, who publicly supported Sadat's peace initiative.

Electricity strike ends

By MICHAL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — After seven nights of negotiations, a solution was found on Friday morning to the Electric Corporation's six-month-old labour dispute, which led to sanctions six weeks ago and culminated in a 14-day general strike.

TA gas tank explosion injures four; cause unknown

at the scene blocked off the area, residents were evacuated, electricity was cut to prevent further conflagration and Hagan and Border Police forces provided help.

RED-HANDED. — A Hatikva Quarter resident managed to pin down and turn over to police one of two burglars he found upon returning to his flat late Thursday night. ILS 8,000 worth of stolen goods were found in the potential getaway car. Police are searching for the second thief.



The newly appointed Mexican ambassador, Dr. Alfonso de Garay y Castro, inspects an IDF honour guard outside Beit Hanaast after presenting his letters of credence to President Yitahak Navon.

Yadin to request inquiry of Sharon's settlement policy

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Deputy Premier Yigal Yadin will be meeting Prime Minister Menahem Begin this morning to request that an inquiry be held into the way Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon apparently got approval to extend four existing West Bank settlements, but instead used this approval to create four new ones.

Begin, as well as Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, appear to have all believed that Sharon was expanding four old settlements. That's why we want an inquiry, into just what was presented; what was approved; and what was implemented by Sharon, who is in charge of work on the ground.

WEIZMAN

has been studying the F-18 for over a year now and is in the process of deciding whether to produce the McDonnell Douglas sea-based version, currently in production, or the Northrop land-based version which is still on paper. Israel was supposed to have informed the U.S. by early next year which of the two it prefers, and how it would like to produce the aircraft — totally under licence or extended co-production.

Defence Ministry sources, Israel is now unable to purchase items approved by the U.S. administration because of a real drop in the value of the aid allotted last year, coupled with rising prices in the U.S.

Eban's back delays trip

LONDON. — Abba Eban suffered a bout of sciatica on Thursday which forced him to postpone a two-day trip to Amsterdam to meet Dutch socialists. He was not involved in a traffic accident, as had been rumoured.

The Sinai airfields will also come up in the discussions. Weizman is expected to ask the U.S. to increase participation of Israeli firms in the building of the two fields if possible, and to discuss the cost over-runs expected as a result of inflation both in the U.S. and Israel.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of MIRIAM SILVERMAN

much loved mother and grandmother
The funeral will take place, today, September 9, 1979 at 2.00 p.m., leaving from Sanhedria, for the Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

On the thirtieth day after the passing of DAVID HOROWITZ

a memorial service and tombstone unveiling ceremony will be held on Monday, September 10, 1979 at 4 p.m. at the Sanhedria Cemetery in Jerusalem.

25 public figures ask to be tried with Neot Sinai settlers

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Attorney Elyakim Ha'ezni of Kiryat Arba has drawn up a list of some 25 people who have volunteered to be tried for defying a military government ban on the presence of settlers in the Neot Sinai vegetable garden last May.

ed to show the world that "at a time when the government is dismantling settlements, we have to show that we are as committed to this land as the Arabs are."

Aharoni, Oshri interrogated over 1977 heroin scheme

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Police have questioned Rahamim Aharoni and Tuviya Oshri — who were named as leading underworld figures during the Mirzahi v. "Ha'arets" libel trial — in connection with their alleged involvement in a heroin smuggling operation in 1977.

In that conversation, which took place at a Tel Aviv cafe, the three men discussed "white" (Hebrew slang for heroin). At one point in the hearing of Mirzahi's libel suit against "Ha'arets," it was maintained that he had been discussing white formula for a bar he was building, but the judge did not accept this version of the incident.

Gush Emunim infiltrates army rabbinate

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — A plan to install a Gush Emunim activist near the top of the army chaplaincy is now near completion, it was learned yesterday.

months ago as director for religious studies at Beit Goldmann, the army college. It is planned, The Jerusalem Post has learned, to grant Rabbi Fried the rank of shif-mishne in preparation for his appointment as Rabbi Navon's deputy and eventual successor.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear mother ABELA GRUENBERG daughter of Wolf Mihalovici, of Bucharest and Jerusalem. The funeral will leave today, Sunday, September 9, 1979, at 3 p.m. from Sanhedria, for Har Hamenuhot.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved PNINA SONN. The funeral will leave today, September 9, 1979 at 1.00 p.m. from the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour in Jerusalem, to the Har Hamenuhot Cemetery.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of our dear aunt DR. IDA SHDENBERGER in her 97th year. The funeral will take place on Sunday September 9, 1979 at 2 p.m. at the Nahariya cemetery.

Our beloved husband, father and grandfather ISRAEL BRONITSKY has left us. Dina Bronitsky Yaakov and Shoshana Hope and their children. Funeral at Kibbutz Nahshon, September 9, 1979 at 3 p.m.

On the first anniversary of the passing of my dear husband HERBERT MEYER. A memorial service will be held on Monday, September 10, 1979 at 4 p.m. at the Kfar Samir Cemetery. Taxis will leave from 27 Shoshanat Hacarmel at 3.30 p.m. Lisele Meyer and Family

13 died on roads last week, 500 fatalities this year

Last week's road toll was 13 dead and 152 injured in 82 road accidents, nine of them fatal. There have been 500 deaths on the roads in some 10,000 accidents that have claimed close to 15,000 people since January 1 throughout Israel and the administered territories.

In dozens of serious accidents last week, 57 people sustained serious to medium injuries; 58 pedestrians were among the casualties.

Although three children were killed, the "Save the Children's Lives" road safety campaign that got underway with the start of the school year has had some effect, according to police sources. Two of the children were killed in the territories, and there were no accidents outside schools.

Most accidents followed failure to observe traffic signs and stop lights. In two cases, serious accidents were caused at night by drivers abandoning cars at the side of the road without warning lights.

Other accidents were caused by drivers losing control of the steering wheel, and driving too close to the car ahead. Cyclists were seriously injured in six accidents.

Two hit and run accidents were caught last week by military police when details of their vehicles were reported.

The newly opened stretch of the fast Tel Aviv-Jerusalem highway saw a serious three-way crash when a driver drove the wrong way on the road despite warning signs, colliding with two oncoming vehicles. (Tim)

Begin, Sadat condemn Soviet 'negative' M.E. policy

PARIS (UPI). — In a joint interview on French television, Premier Menabem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat condemned the Soviet Union's current stand on the Middle East and the Egyptian peace treaty as "completely negative."

Sadat revealed that in 1972 the Soviets proposed that he meet with the Israeli Premier Golda Meir in Tashkent. "I ask myself what the Soviet Union's position would have been if the Camp David agreement had been signed in Tashkent," Sadat said.

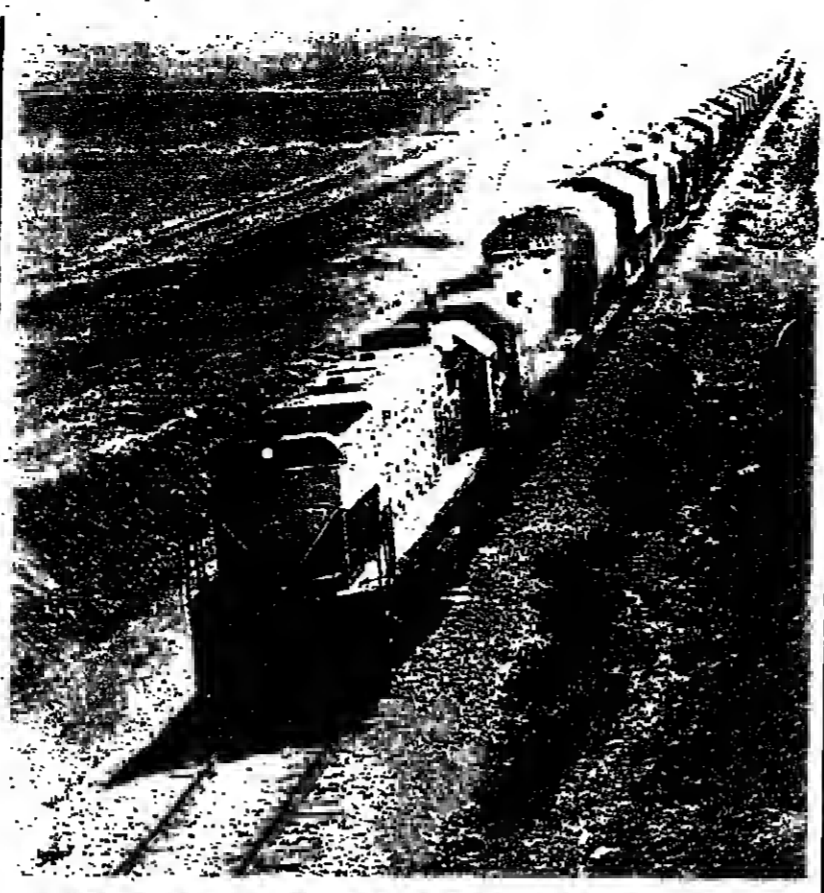
Both leaders praised the part played by U.S. President Jimmy Carter in advancing the progress of peace in the Middle East. They expressed the hope that Jordan, Syria and other Arab states would join in peace negotiations.

Begin said he has offered to meet Jordan's King Hussein and Syrian President Hafez Assad in Jerusalem, in their capitals or at a neutral venue. "I hope from the bottom of my heart that one day we meet at the negotiating table and obtain peace," Begin said.

Sadat said that things are beginning to move in the Middle East. He revealed that Syria had recent contacts with Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu on the peace treaty between Israel and Egypt.

The Palestinians will get more from the terms of the treaty than they are currently demanding in their campaigning in the U.S., Sadat said.

The interview was recorded in Haifa on Thursday, the last day of Sadat's summit visit to Israel.



The longest train ever to appear in Israel rolls through the Negev Thursday on its way from the phosphate works to the port in Ashdod. Five engines were needed for the train, which was over a kilometre long and carried 40,000 tons of phosphates in some 50 cars. (Sahab)

Better subtitling promised soon on Israel TV

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hebrew and Arabic subtitles on Israel TV programmes will be more readable, spaced better and almost breakdown-proof within two weeks, when a new subtitling machine developed with microcomputers by Broadcasting Authority engineers goes into regular use.

Nine sophisticated machines to produce and broadcast subtitles were made by a team headed by Arye Molchanovsky of TV's development department at a total cost of less than \$50,000. The cost of foreign-produced subtitle machines, which are not suited to the unique demands of Israel TV, would be \$300,000, according to Molchanovsky (who also developed the Israeli version of the Teletext).

For years, Israel TV has used the obsolete system of typing subtitles on a roll of paper and manually advancing each line in front of a camera that super-imposes the subtitle on the screen. But it often broke down (leaving the viewer without any translation), produced the same subtitle several times, or caused the line to wander on the screen. A \$120,000 electronic machine bought several years ago from RCA switched titles too slow and proved so inadequate for Israel's needs that TV House returned it and got its money back.

Uri La'adan, director of TV's engineering services, launched an effort to apply microcomputer technology to the building of a subtitle machine.

Under the new system, up to 2,000 titles may be typed on a keyboard to fill up a single IBM "diskette" — a piece of self-plastic with a centre hole that looks like a square phonograph record. The lines can be typed both in Hebrew and Arabic and viewed on an attached screen. The diskette is then inserted into another machine, which screens each title according to a number and advances to the next one electronically within a split second.

The size and form of the letters can be easily modified, and the system is much easier to operate than the paper-press method, says Molchanovsky.

Although the application is new, there is little demand abroad for such a device. Most TV stations use little foreign-language material, and most of what is used is dubbed rather than subtitled. In addition, Israel TV's system required translation into two languages and text running from right to left.

U.S. publishers talk shop with dissidents in Moscow

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet dissidents and underground writers jammed into a small reception room in a Moscow restaurant on Friday night to swap toasts and jokes with American publishers.

Physicist Andrei Sakharov presented Alexander Hoffman, board chairman of the Association of American Publishers Inc., with a book wrapped in brown paper.

"I know that my book has disappeared," Sakharov said, referring to his indictment by Soviet censors. The book, "My Country and the World," was one of 44 U.S.-published titles seized by authorities before the second annual Moscow International Book Fair opened on Wednesday.

Sakharov asked Hoffman to pass the autographed copy to Robert Bernstein, chairman of Random House, which published the book. Soviet authorities refused to grant Bernstein a visa to attend the fair.

All major Soviet writers who contributed to "Metropol," an underground collection of uncensored poems and stories circulated in Moscow earlier this year, were invited to the reception organized by the publishers.

cannot live without writers. But here in Moscow, we know there are many publishers who live perfectly well without writers."

Hoffman said he would recommend his board "weigh heavily" any future American participation in Soviet book fairs because of the censorship and visa denial.

Historian Roy Medvedev said the American publishers should continue to attend and be tough in demanding open exhibitions. "It is better to participate and be strong," he said.

Speaking to a crowd gathered around a table littered with snacks and vodka and beer bottles, the historian said the American presence at the fair and support for Soviet writers makes the censor's "hold back a little."

Hoffman said he was "torn apart" when "a young man — he was Jewish — came up to me holding a book about Old Testament philosophy and asked if he could keep it. He told me he was sorry for asking, but that he teaches Bible classes to friends at night and can't get such books," the publisher related. He explained that he had denied the request because it would have prevented other fair-goers from viewing the book.

Hebron mayor leaves for Geneva meet, U.S. talks

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hebron Mayor Fahd Kawasma left the West Bank for Jordan on Friday night to attend the Geneva summit and participate in the conference organized by the "Palestine Human Rights Campaign" later this month. Kawasma will fly first to Geneva to testify this week before the World Human Rights Committee about conditions under Israeli rule on the West Bank.

The Hebron mayor will be joined in Washington by Karim Khalaf, the mayor of Ramallah, who has been in the U.S. for several weeks.

The Jerusalem Post has learnt that the conference organizers will leave a symbolic empty chair for Bassam Shaka, mayor of Nablus, who was refused permission by the military authorities to leave the country.

Also attending the conference, scheduled for September 20-22, will be Rakhah activist and lawyer Felicia Langer, who has been asked to give a keynote address. She is the only Israeli to have been invited to the gathering. The organizers say it aims to "build a just and lasting peace between the Palestinian and Israeli peoples."

In an interview given to the Associated Press in Jordan yesterday, Kawasma was quoted as saying that "the Palestinian people has its own leadership, which is the Palestine Liberation Organization. The American administration could talk to them and recognize them."

The Hebron mayor told The Post in a recent interview that he would agree to meet with administration officials in Washington but that he would not hold discussions with them on the basis of the Camp David autonomy scheme.

Ehrlich slates Ya'acobi for criticizing aid request in U.S.

By SHELMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

MK Gad Ya'acobi's interference in the government's financial negotiations with the U.S. will harm Israel's interests, said Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich on Friday. He was reacting to criticism made by Ya'acobi, chairman of the Knesset's Economic Committee, who, in a recent visit to the U.S., described Israel's request for U.S. aid for next year as exaggerated.

How, Ehrlich wanted to know, could Ya'acobi — who, he said, is no longer an expert — make this claim when Israel's request had not yet been submitted?

Ehrlich also said that when he and his colleagues were in opposition, they had not expressed their criticism of the government during trips abroad.

Ya'acobi told a television interviewer that U.S. administration officials had told him that Israel would find it difficult to win any increase in the level of U.S. aid.

Israel, he said, will ask for more aid,

Ehrlich said, because it must acquire sophisticated new weaponry following the peace treaty with Egypt.

While he mentioned no sum, estimates are that the increase sought will be in the region of \$2.5 billion, compared with the present annual receipts of some \$1.8 billion from the U.S. (neither sum having any connection with aid for the Sinai withdrawal).

New estimates in Jerusalem indicate that Israel will need to spend some \$300 million more on construction in the south, over and above aid the U.S. has already promised.

Ehrlich repeated that Israel's foreign currency reserves exceeded \$2.5 billion. There was still a demand for workers, he said, and there was no need to create the bleak impression that the country was heading towards an economic slowdown.

State Revenue Administration head Uriel Lynn said the Treasury opposed increasing income tax. A number of ministers have recently suggested raising marginal tax on high incomes from 60 per cent to 65 per cent.

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET REVIEW Trading in shares up, but no definite direction seen

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Trading activity in shares picked up sharply in the period under review and totalled IL9.5 million, but neither traders nor institutional investors could establish any specific direction. When the week was over, of the 280 issues traded 134 had advanced, 115 had declined and 31 were unchanged.

The general share index, as calculated by the Central Bureau of Statistics, showed a nominal rise of 0.3 per cent.

The increased activity appeared to be an index of the fact that Israelis are returning from their vacations and once again are becoming involved in the investment scene.

Semi-annual reports continued to pour in. Investors were advised of excellent results and notified that they would receive sumptuous cash dividends and bonus share payments. Yet this had little effect on the shares involved and in some cases the shares of these same companies actually reversed.

This was very much the case with the shares of the First International Bank of Israel. The six-month earnings picture showed a 76 per cent rise. The bank declared a 7 per cent cash dividend in addition to a 33.3 per cent bonus share payment. Yet on the secondary market FIBI shares took a relative dive as they fell by more than 3 per cent.

Another example was that of Clal industries, which came through with a sparkling semi-annual report that met with selling pressure on the exchange.

Union Bank was one of the few exceptions. It reported favourable results and the shares advanced for a weekly gain of 2.3 per cent.

Solel Boneh was the big loser last week as its shares plummeted by more than 28 per cent. The company made an appeal to the Minister of Defence requesting his intervention that Solel Boneh be allowed to supply vital materials for the building of the Negev airfields. The shares were down at 1380, nearly a third lower from the levels achieved a couple of weeks ago.

Trading in index-linked bonds reflected a minor upward trend. "Double option" bonds showed relatively small gains, as in the case of series 2015 which rose by three per cent. Eighty per cent of the linked bonds showed fractional gains of less than 1 per cent, while 4 per cent fully-linked bonds reflected rises of 1.5 to 3 per cent.

The devaluation of the Israeli pound continued but was relatively moderate, with a net weekly loss of 1.25 per cent. In the foreign currency market the Deutsche mark continued to rise strongly, recording a rise of about 2 per cent.

Trading activity this week should go a long way towards determining whether the Israeli public has been reassured by Arnon Gafny's statements to the effect that the Bank of Israel has come to an agreement with the Finance Minister that the terms of the index-linked bonds will not be changed or altered. The anticipation of a very high index figure for the month of August should provide a very strong attraction for index-linked bonds. Should this be the case, then the share market should continue to move along its present trendless course.

Apartment loans for young couples in J'lem increased

By SHELMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

The size of housing loans for eligible young couples went up in Jerusalem only at the beginning of September, though ceiling prices of apartments for which financial support is available were raised throughout the country.

In Jerusalem, young couples can now get loans from the Housing Ministry for flats up to a maximum price of IL1.7 million, instead of IL1.5 million. The maximum income in real estate prices in the capital.

In the rest of the country the ceiling has gone up from IL950,000 to IL1.3 million. But the size of actual loans in these areas remains the same as before. Ceilings, but not loan sizes, have also been increased for participants in the "Shalom Plus" scheme.

In the capital, on the other hand, a young couple with up to 559 housing eligibility points will be able to get a loan of IL400,000 instead of IL350,000 as in the past.

For couples with 1,400 or more housing points, the maximum loan available will be IL650,000, instead of IL600,000.

According to figures published by the Central Bureau of Statistics, the average price of a 2½-3 room flat in Jerusalem in the period from April to June was IL1.1 million. In Tel Aviv the average price was IL1.05 million, and for other population centres IL850,000.

The income ceiling for points eligibility has also been increased because of inflation. From September the maximum income allowable for housing points is IL17,000 a month, instead of IL15,000.

Housing loans to immigrants have also gone up. In Jerusalem a new immigrant can now get a loan of up to IL1.1 million to buy an apartment, and in the rest of the country up to IL750,000. Thus, if an immigrant family of 2-4 souls want to buy a flat in Jerusalem costing not more than IL1.7 million, they can get a loan of IL700,000; and elsewhere in the country, a family of similar size can get a loan of IL500,000 for a flat costing not more than IL1.3 million.

'Returning students' to be redefined

By SHELMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

The Treasury has proposed changes in the regulations governing the status of "returning students" for the purpose of purchase tax exemptions.

It is intended to end the practice of classifying returning emigrants sent abroad by the government or other public bodies as "returning students." Henceforth, the status will only be accorded to bona fide students who have spent two consecutive years at an approved institution abroad or who have obtained an academic degree at such an institution. Until now, students had only to be abroad one year to qualify.

The Treasury also proposes to reduce the minimum time a student will have to spend abroad to qualify for the tax exemption from 20 to 18 months. Research students will no longer qualify, although those students already abroad and due to return before January 1, 1980 will still receive the exemption.

The time returning students will be permitted to spend abroad after completing their studies is to be extended from two months at present to six months. Returning students also will have to obtain confirmation from the Education Ministry that they have pursued a course of study at a recognized institution abroad.

The changes proposed by the Treasury need the approval of the Knesset Finance Committee.

Judges to hear 20 hopeful harpists

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Twenty first-round survivors will begin second-round competition this morning in the seventh annual International Harp Contest at the YMCA auditorium in Jerusalem.

Six of the 20, who were chosen from among 41 original contestants, will compete for prizes in the final round. The second round is scheduled to go on for four days.

The 20 are Barbara Allen (U.S.), Tamara Bischoff (U.S.), Vasolije Erlano (France), Georgianne Conant (U.S.), Colleen Cooney (U.S.), Deborah Hoffman (U.S.), Irene Kaganovsky (Israel), Francine Lieutaud (France), Carol McLaughlin (Canada), Mary Emily Mitchell (U.S.), Anna Maria Palombini (Italy), Grace Paradise (U.S.), Ann Pemberton (U.S.), Isabella Perrin (France), Lisa Anne Petrilli (U.S.), Caryll Thomas (Great Britain), Arielle Vallibouse (France), Pierre Vigneau (France), June Wachtler (U.S.), Kaya Yamahata (Japan).

The 14-person jury, from nine different countries, had to listen 40 times to the same pieces (C.F.E. Bach's sonata and an étude by E. Schmidt) in the first round, plus an additional piece of the contestant's choosing.

S. Africa to up investments in Israel

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — South Africa has decided to increase its amount of foreign exchange for investment in Israel because of the special relations between the two states, South African Finance Minister Owen Horwood said last week.

Horwood told the South African Chamber of Economic Relations that it was his government's policy not to allow its citizens to invest indiscriminately abroad except where it could be shown that such transactions would give rise to a meaningful increase in exports from the Republic or would safeguard existing export trade.

"In view of the special relations between South Africa and Israel, however, we departed from our normal policy when it came to investments in Israel. Taking into account the constraints flowing from our balance of payments position, substantial amounts of exchange have from time to time been allocated for investment and grants to bodies in Israel," Horwood said.

The finance minister said that about \$12 million was transferred from South Africa for investment purposes to Israel in the year ending on June 30, 1978. He did not indicate how much more funds would be involved in the future.

Ceausescu discusses M.E. with Rubinstein

BUCHAREST (AP). — Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu on Friday received MK Annon Rubinstein, the head of Shaal for a discussion of the Middle East situation, according to the official news agency.

Ceausescu explained to Rubinstein that his government sought a withdrawal of Israeli troops from territory held since the 1967 war and recognition of the rights of the Palestinian people ranging from self-determination to the establishment of their own state, the news agency Agpres said. It described the meeting as having passed "in a cordial atmosphere."

Two-year-old chokes on sunflower seeds

RAMLE (Him). — A two-year-old Ramle child, Roman Even, lost his life on Thursday night after choking on sunflower seeds.

The infant took the roasted seeds from a table in his family's home and put them in his mouth. When he was found choking, he was rushed to hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Police are investigating.

INTEREST. The Bank of Canada on Friday night raised its bank rate by 0.5 per cent to a record 12.25 per cent, the second increase in less than three months.

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Writer says 'Ma'ariv' stifles reply on Lavon Affair book

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The latest book about the 1954 "security mishap" in Egypt, related to Israeli intelligence, is the subject of a complaint to the Press Council by its author, against the evening paper "Ma'ariv."

The author, Haggal Eshed, whose book "Who gave the Order" was held up for years by the IDF press censor, wrote in his complaint to the Press Council that "Ma'ariv" had published three hostile articles against the book yet refused to publish either of his two replies.

When the late Premier David Ben-Gurion was campaigning to find out who ordered the group of Egyptian Jews involved to fire-bomb targets in Cairo and Alexandria, and asked Eshed to help him research the matter in the sixties, "Ma'ariv" consistently criticized Ben-Gurion's campaign.

violation of press freedom and order "Ma'ariv" to print a reply, so that the public would be informed about his stand and not limited to hostile views.

One "Ma'ariv" staffer, Ya'acov Sharet, who wrote attacking the book, admitted in an interview with Yaron London, the TV personality, that he had not read the book before he turned in his piece, Eshed claims. He says he has a promise from London to testify if he needs to. Sharet, son of the late foreign minister and premier Moche Sharet, never forgave Ben-Gurion for ousting his father.

Eshed told The Jerusalem Post that, although "Ma'ariv" editor Shalom Rosenfeld suggested he send in articles explaining his point of view, staffers at lower levels were impeding him.

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Canada will push to free Ida Nudel

OTTAWA, Canada (AP). — External Affairs Minister Flora MacDonald on Friday assured the sister of Ida Nudel that she is mounting strong pressure on the Soviet Union to permit Nudel to leave the Soviet Union.

Montreal lawyer Irwin Cotler, who represents Nudel, said the minister told Elena Fridman that she has spoken to the Soviet ambassador here and also asked the Canadian ambassador to press Nudel's case with Soviet authorities in Moscow. The 48-year-old Nudel, a Jewish activist, has been in Siberian exile for 16 months.

MacDonald, once co-chairwoman of Women for Ida Nudel in Canada, also indicated she would explore a suggestion that she and other leading women politicians such as British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher make a joint appeal for Nudel's release.

In England, hundreds of delegates to the Trades Union Congress, which ended in Blackpool on Friday, signed an appeal to Leonid Brezhnev calling for the pardon of Vladimir Slepkov and Nudel. Among the signatories were this year's president of the TUC, Postal Workers leader Tom Jackson; the president of the powerful Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, Terry Duffy; and the general secretary of Equity, the actors' union, Peter Plouffe.

5% customs chop on 1979 cars

Post Economic Reporter

Customs duty on 1979 cars was cut last week by about 5 per cent, toppling the price to the purchaser by IL20,000 to IL30,000. The move was in line with similar reductions made in previous years as the new year's models begin to enter the country. The 1980 models began to make their appearance here last week.

In another move, The Jerusalem Post learned last night that Treasury officials are considering a compromise on Transport Minister Haim Landau's proposal to raise taxes on cars whose engine size is over 1,300 cc. The Treasury suggests the rise apply only to cars over 1,600 cc.

Katz says no to fruit pickers from Turkey

Jerusalem Post Staff

Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz has turned down a demand by the Farmers-Federation to import labourers from Turkey to get this season's fruit crop picked in time.

Katz said his ministry and the Employment Service would make every effort to find enough manpower for the harvest. Some 21,000 workers are needed.

Katz told the Employment Service Council in Jerusalem on Friday that the service has set up an emergency headquarters to deal with the fruit harvest manpower problem, and has seconded an official to the Education Ministry to recruit pickers from high schools. He called on the Farmers Federation to arrange regular transport for workers.

Some 400 students have volunteered to work as pickers for one semester, Katz said.

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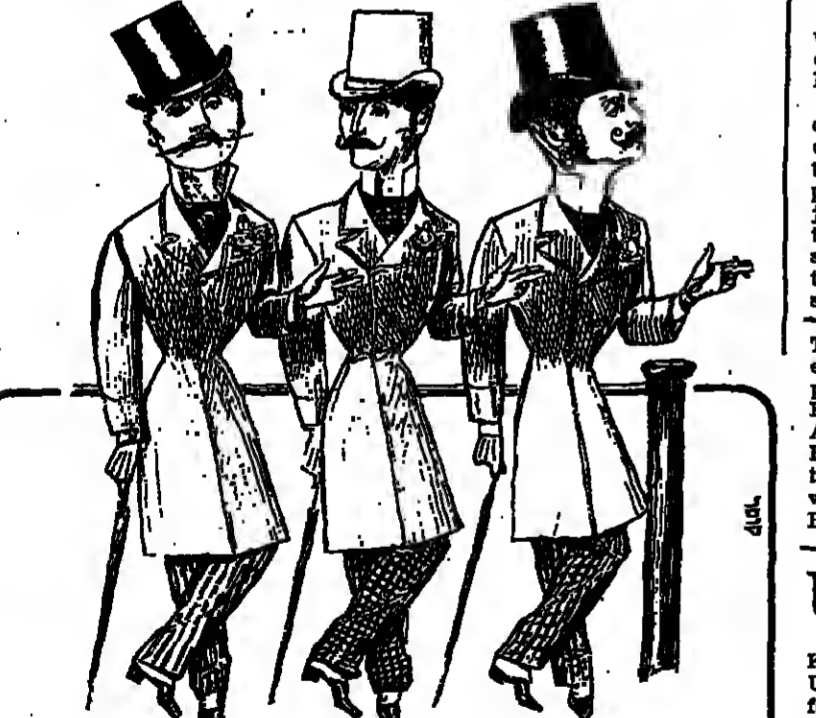
SALISBURY (AP). — Zimbabwe Rhodesian commanders were back in their barracks yesterday, after a three-day raid against military and guerrilla bases and government installations deep inside Mozambique, the military command reported here. At the same time, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, Zimbabwe Rhodesia's prime minister, and guerrilla leader Joshua Nkomo arrived in London within minutes of each other for a conference aimed at writing a constitution for their country.

Young urges African states to restore ties with Israel

Jerusalem Post Correspondent WASHINGTON (AP). — American UN Ambassador Andrew Young, leading the first official U.S. trade delegation to Africa, combined commerce with diplomacy by urging African leaders to embark on a course of normalizing their relations with Israel. Young said on Friday that Liberia President William Tolbert, chairman of the Organization of African Unity, was "enthusiastic" about spearheading a drive for renewed contacts with Israel.

Church council calls for U.S.-PLO talks

NEW YORK (AP). — The National Council of Churches repeated on Friday its call for the U.S. to open contact with the Palestine Liberation Organization and praised Andrew Young for his service as UN ambassador. The Council executive committee, meeting at the organization's West Side headquarters, adopted a resolution supporting Young's "belief that dialogue is indispensable to peace" and his challenge to the U.S. and Israel "to desist from their no-talk policy with the PLO."



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U.S. to probe possible use of S. African slush funds

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Justice Department said on Friday it had authorized a grand jury investigation into possible illegal activities within the U.S. by the South African government. Focus of the probe is believed to be John McGoff, a Michigan publisher accused of unsuccessfully trying to purchase "The Washington Star" with South African funds and using South African money to buy "The Sacramento Union" in California.

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ROME (AP). — Three hijackers who seized an Italian airliner to publicize the disappearance of a Moslem holy man flew into Teheran yesterday and surrendered to the Shia Islamic regime of Ayatollah Khomeini. A spokesman for Italy's Alitalia Airlines said the three gunmen, identified as Lebanese Shites, gave themselves up after receiving assurances from Iranian officials that a statement on the reason for their gesture would be read on Iranian radio and television.

PM Ohira dissolves parliament

TOKYO (AP). — Japanese Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira dissolved the lower house of the Diet (parliament) on Friday in a manoeuvre setting the stage for new elections aimed at strengthening his party's slim majority. With cabinet approval, Ohira asked for and received from Emperor Hirohito an imperial rescript, a formality required by law, to disband the 511-seat house.

39 hurt in riot over short space in Mexican college

MEXICO CITY (AP). — Thirty-nine persons were hurt in a shootout between two student groups in a dispute over registration policies at Mexico's Polytechnic Institute. Police said on Friday that four of the victims suffered bullet wounds and 35 others bruised and cuts, a Red Cross source reported. None was in serious condition.

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Louise Brown, the test tube baby born in England last year, plays on a table as she makes her debut on American television on Friday. (UPI telephoto)

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No flowers at Mao memorial

PEKING (UPI). — The eve of the third anniversary of Chairman Mao Tse-tung's death received subdued official tribute yesterday, and no flowers were seen resting near his mausoleum. There have been no spontaneous outbursts of grief for Mao from the Feking general public. The monument to the martyrs of China's revolution in Tienanmen Square is bare of floral tributes to him.

56 nominated for Nobel Peace Prize

OSLO (AP). — Director Jakob Sverdrup of the Norwegian Nobel Institute said on Friday that 56 qualified candidates have been nominated for the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize. He said the total number of candidates includes 37 individuals and 19 different organizations. About 50 candidates are usually nominated every year.

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Soviet shift in Iran policy seen Khomeini's revolution a failure — 'Izvestia'

MOSCOW (Reuter). — A leading Soviet commentator yesterday dismissed Iran's Islamic revolution as a failure which had brought the country nothing but economic chaos, political persecution and fanatical repression of national minorities. This sweeping attack, which could signal a shift in Kremlin policy toward Iran, came in "Nedelya," the weekly supplement to the government newspaper "Izvestia." It was written by Alexander Bovin, "Izvestia's" top foreign policy commentator, who is often seen as an authoritative interpreter of Kremlin thinking.

Kennedy has family backing for 1980 presidential try

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. Senator Edward Kennedy, whose two brothers were slain in office, said on Friday that his wife and mother have told him they will not object if he runs for president, removing what had been perceived as a major barrier to a 1980 Kennedy campaign. "Both my mother and my wife indicated they would support any decision I would make," Kennedy told reporters after a speech here. Although he reiterated his position that he is not now a candidate, he added: "I am concerned about the direction of the country."

Abominable snowman's print found, say Russian climbers

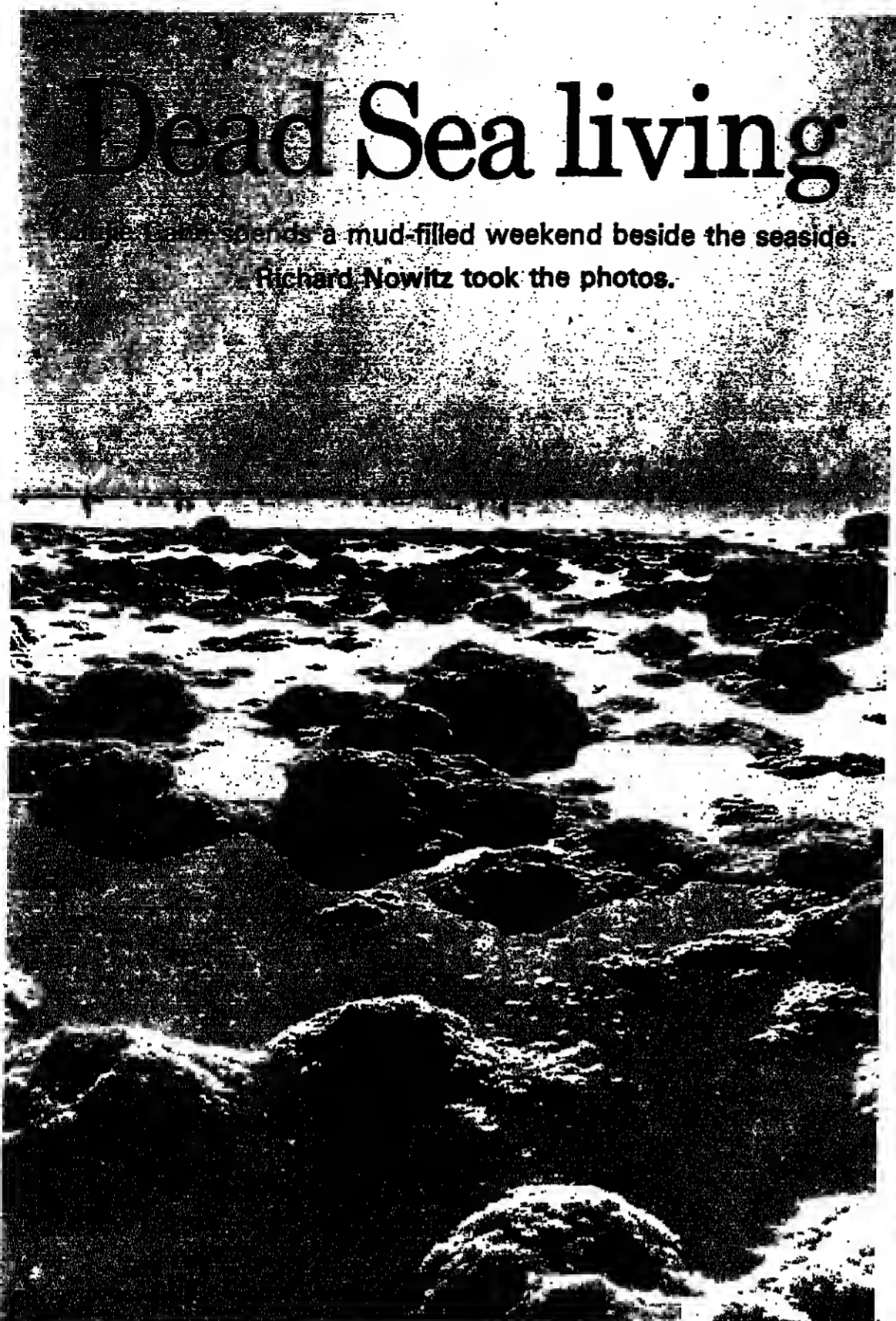
MOSCOW (UPI). — A Soviet expedition into the Pamir Mountains has discovered a huge footprint left by what the group believes was an abominable snowman. "Komsomolskaya Pravda" said yesterday that the expedition, led by veteran mountain climber Igor Tatal, made a plaster cast of the 34-by-16-cm print. "The toes were slightly spread, the big toe was considerably larger than the others, and the sole was flat," the paper said.

19 planes burn in Malmo hanger fire

STOCKHOLM (AP). — Nineteen newly built airplanes were destroyed in a hangar fire at the old Bulltofta airport of Malmo, southern Sweden, early yesterday, authorities said. The Saab supporter aircraft, worth about \$1.5m. each, were

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presents its compliments to the people and the illustrious government of the State of Israel, and to the Honourable Diplomatic and Consular Corps, on the occasion of commemorating the 158th Anniversary of the Independence of Central America, on September 15, and announces that, in respect of the austerity in Central America, as in the State of Israel, the traditional reception will not take place this year. However, the following programme will celebrate this joyful event. September 7 Distribution, among leading figures in Israel, of the colour booklet "Investing in Guatemala," edited by the Banco de Guatemala. September 10 Opening of the Guatemalan Handicraft Exposition, at the Straw House Gallery, Moshav Rishpon, by Mrs. Dalia Nir, Guatemalan handicrafts importer. The exposition will be open to the public until September 20. September 12 Mrs. Lil-jin de Gereda Asturias will visit Vietnamese refugees in Asturia, in order to deliver, in the name of the children of Guatemala, toys for the 50 children of the Vietnamese families. September 13 The Ambassador, Col. Ramiro Gereda Asturias, will deliver a collection of books by Guatemalan authors, to the National Library of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. September 14 The Ambassadors of El Salvador, Costa Rica and Guatemala (there are no resident Ambassadors from Honduras and Nicaragua) will jointly plant five trees, representing the five Central American countries, in the Central America Forest. The Embassy of Guatemala, in the name of the people and the Government of Guatemala, will present greetings to the people and the Government of Israel through the press, radio and Israel TV. Due to the Shabbat, celebration activities will not take place in Jerusalem. At 7.00 p.m., a reunion of the Guatemalan colony in Israel, at the Embassy. September 16 Mass at the Terra Sancta Church — prayer service for peace in Central America and in the Middle East.



Different ways of enjoying the Dead Sea — just floating and reading (above left), or taking all that mud seriously (above right).



Glistening salt dries on the Ein Boker beach (above left), while swimmers are dwarfed by the mountains at Sdom (centre), and quiet pervades an infrequented area between Ein Boker and Masada.

WHEN I was a kid, a weekend outing meant overpacking the family car in anticipation of survival in the wilderness and driving 47 minutes out of New York City to the doors of a semi-rustic cabin at the dead-end of a suburban side street.

Venturing alone deep in the 1/4 acre lot I called Our Woods, I would hunt for broken milk bottles that had been discarded there some 15 years earlier. When I found them, close to the surface and thus far undisturbed in their original garbage heap, I felt as if I had uncovered genuine antiques.

Had I then thought that less than 24 years later I would be driving in a desert valley framed on one side by the Judean Hills and on the other by the ancient and mysterious Dead Sea, I doubt I would have been so impressed by the milk bottles.

No child growing up in Israel need ever be similarly deprived, for at the same distance outside Jerusalem as I travelled as a child outside New York is the world's most unusual body of water. It dates back over a hundred million years and boasts the saltiest water in the world. Enveloped by an atmosphere richer in oxygen than anywhere else on this planet, it

is also situated at the lowest point on earth. Combine that with the site of the discovery of the oldest Biblical manuscripts known to man and a neighbouring archaeological excavation commemorating one of the most dramatic epic events in history, and you've got quite a setting for a weekend retreat.

One of Israel's most popular tourist attractions, the Dead Sea draws thousands of tourists annually to its salty shores. In summer, it is mostly foreign tourists who can be found there. In winter, it's mostly Israelis lucky enough to take advantage of what is agreed to be the best season for the Dead Sea. It is then when the days are warm, and the nights are cool, and reservations at some of the region's better hotels are easier to come by.

Who comes to the Dead Sea and what do they do there? Basically, there's as much diversity among the people who frequent the Dead Sea shores as there is in the resources and activities available there. The sulphur springs attract tourists with the promise of cure for a variety of ailments; so does the clean, pure air. They come for the Ein Gedi nature reserve with its lush vegetation and

fresh water mountain pools or for a first, or even fifth, climb up Masada to relive the momentous events that once took place there. They also come to explore the Qumran Hills within whose caves the Dead Sea Scrolls were first discovered by a young Beduin boy supposedly in search of his lost goat.

They come with their families, friends, or lovers and are accommodated either at the beachside camping grounds or the fancier four and five star hotels on the south side of the sea. Others, seeking a more fundamental respite and a taste of kibbutz living stay at the Ein Gedi Kibbutz Guest House. Some come with rheumatism, others with skin ailments, allergies and breathing disorders but, oddly enough, few people appear to be sick in this popular resort, or the least bit overcome by the heat.

Clearly, those who come for the cures believe in their effectiveness. At the asking, you can find any number of people happy to recite a breakdown of the properties in the water and their respective healing powers. Sulphur: psoriasis; bromide: constipation; magnesium: gynaecological disorders; the list runs on, a kind of recipe for health with all

the ingredients in one package.

The ritual is simple for those who participate in it. To Sulphur Bath/ To Sea/ To Mud/ To Sun/ To Sleep, started first thing in the morning, then often repeated again in the afternoon. An elderly German gentleman I met lounging on the shaded deck of the Ein Gedi spa, his legs outstretched on a canvas sling-back chair, a cool drink in his right hand, said that the Baths were the best cure he had yet found for his aching joints.

"How did you come to try them?" I asked. "My doctor recommended it," he replied. "Specifically the Dead Sea Spas?" "Yes," he said, "they are the best."

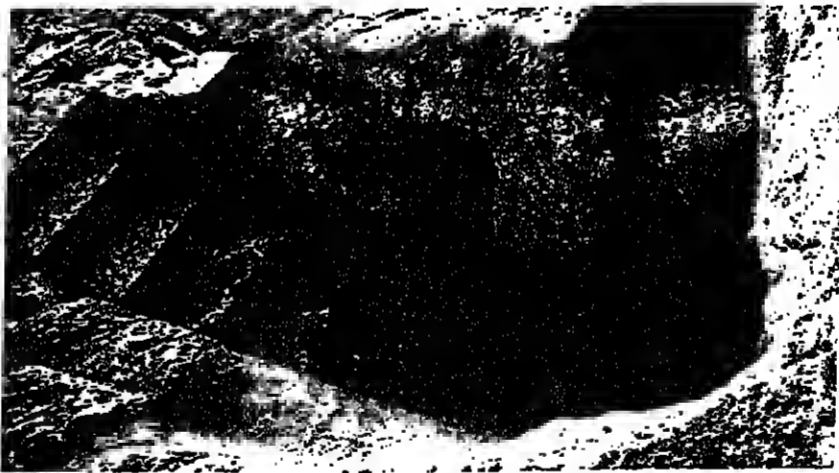
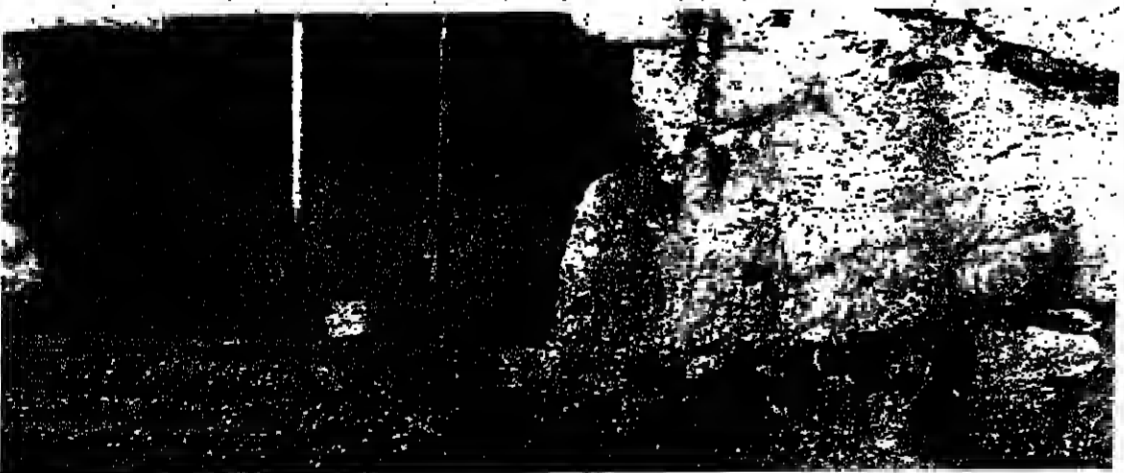
Others shared his convictions, coming from various parts of the world, in many cases from countries famous for their own health facilities.

"And the heat?" I asked another man fresh and dripping out of the 38° C sulphur bath.

"No problem," he answered bluntly, his tone suggesting surprise that I should be concerned enough to ask. Which is not to say that the people frequenting the baths, particularly

in the summer months when temperatures can average between 45° and 50° C, are necessarily a strange sort that have an unquenchable passion for the heat. Instead, as high as the thermometer reads, the dryness and the purity of the air combined with the apparent soothing effects of the warm sulphur baths, serves to promote easy breathing and an overall feeling of relaxation. After trying the recommended 15 minutes first-timer's dip myself, I stood up smelling like rotten eggs but feeling surprisingly cool. It may be the old "hot tea on a summer day" trick. It may also be more than that.

At the mud baths, I met a couple of young Frenchmen on a break from their university. Sporting the tinnest of bikinis, they were obviously not there to be cured of anything. Elbowing each other dangerously close to the tubs brimming over with thick black mud, they mimicked Al Jolson, then politely invited me to spread some of the stuff on their backs. I did. They then returned the favour. "You like?" they asked, grinning. "Fantastique" I replied, as we waddled down the beach to bask by the Dead Sea shore.



Don't be put off by the unimpressive entrance to the Tomb (above, left), but persevere to find the entrance proper (centre). Once inside, explore the labyrinth of burial chambers. (Photos: Nowitz)

ALWAYS in search of some new, interesting, "off beat" site to show their foreign and local guests, photographer Richard Nowitz and his wife, Varda, were delighted recently when a Tourism Ministry assignment led them to the "Tomb of the Kings," located at the end of Saleh E-Din Street in East Jerusalem. Open daily, never crowded, and free, the Nowitzes think the first century C.E. mausoleum is one of the city's most fascinating antiquities. Now they explore the tombs, frequently armed with

flashlights and wearing crepe shoes to avoid slipping on the waxy floors. "Don't get put off by the entrance," warns Dick, playing guide. "It looks dull and uninteresting. Instead, notice the sign indicating that the tomb is the property of the French Embassy. The French were the first to excavate the site. "Then take a look around. You're entering a place of untouched history which is smack in the middle of a modern city — right above the tomb is a cinema, next to it is Farid's Beauty Parlor, and across the street

Untouched history

is St. George's Anglican Cathedral. "And as you walk down the stairs, look at the chisel marks on the walls and think about the scale of this undertaking, what went into carving this huge mausoleum out of solid rock. It was a WPA (public works) project

Joan Borsten visits the Tomb of the Kings, a little-known mausoleum in Jerusalem.

that boggles the mind!" The wide staircase is irregular and jagged. It is dissected by an open drain that filtered rainwater into the large cisterns, apparently built to store the water needed for purifying the bodies or clothes of the royalty

buried in the crypts. An arch leads into a ceremonial courtyard. Just past the remains of Roman-like columns is the entrance to the dark anteroom and numerous arched doorways leading to a labyrinth of crypts and an occasional stairwell leading to still other subterranean vaults.

According to the Encyclopedia Judaica, the tomb was built by Helens, sister and wife of Monobaz I, the first century CE king of Adiabene, in the upper Tigris region.

She and her son Isates became converts to Judaism in about 30 CE. Helens spend part of her life in Jerusalem where she built herself a palace. When in 45 CE famine raged in Israel, she bought grain and figs in Egypt and Cyprus for the starving. She also made gifts to the Temple and was meticulous in the observance of the precepts of Judaism. She died in Adiabene, but her remains and those of her son who became king were transferred to Jerusalem and interred in the Tomb of the Kings.



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Who is attracted to Ulpán Akiva and what excites them so much that most are prepared to give up their vacation time?

Participating at the Centre when this reporter was visiting, were 118 students. Tourists numbered 69, 28 were new immigrants and temporary residents and 23 Israelis, 15 of them taking Arabic.

Among the Israelis now at the ulpan are two families who live in a village near Hebron. Nine-year-old Shaul Ben-Nun is studying Arabic with his father, in the same class. (Mrs. Ben-Nun has already completed the course.) Shaul loves the ulpan, "because here I'm treated as an equal and not as a child." He realizes that he needs Arabic to communicate with his Arab friends.

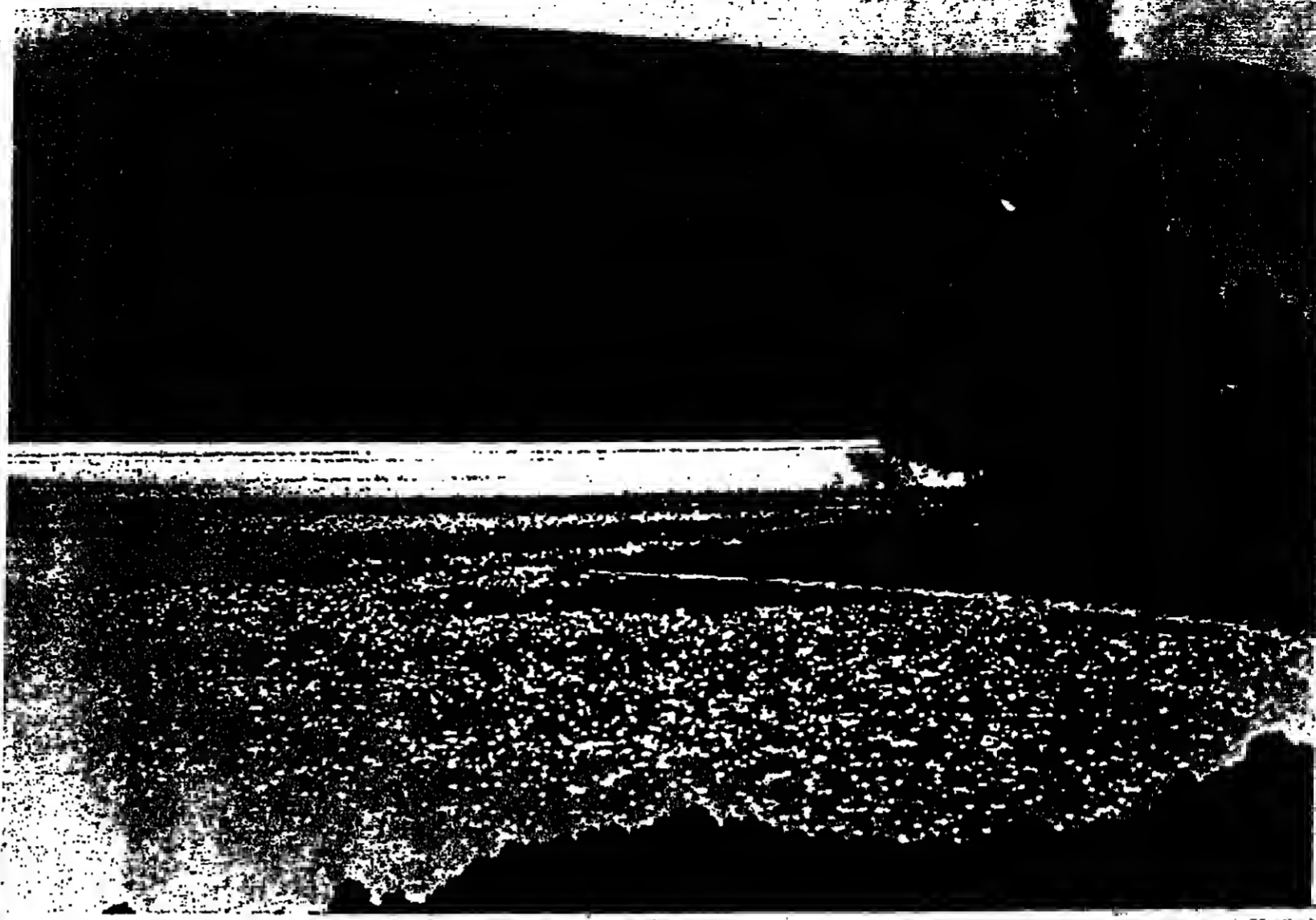
"This is important where I live," he said, adding: "It is equally important for anyone growing up in Israel."

Shulamit Katznelson, the leading spirit of the ulpan, was brought up in the Jerusalem of pre-State. With the creation of the State, she became alert to the urgent need for a language study centre.

The location of the ulpan, on the shore just south of Netanya, is ideal, the participants using the facilities of the adjacent Green Beach resort hotel, including the swimming pool, tennis courts, dining and sports rooms.

Five mornings a week are given over to study. Lectures on Judaism, geography of the area, current affairs, folk dancing and folk singing, take up one hour every day.

To participate in the ulpan, one needs two letters of recommendation from either a community leader, or a recognized organization, either in Israel or abroad.



(Christian Science Monitor)

Eternal lake

Phyllis Krasilovsky is captivated by the Kinneret.

ASIDE FROM its beauty, the scene from the terrace of the Tiberias Plaza Hotel in Israel is so soothing that new guests frequently abandon more ambitious plans to explore the area immediately. Instead, they settle down under bright umbrellas or in the pervasive sunlight to be hypnotized by the view, and no wonder. The hotel looks directly out over Lake Kinneret, which peacefully meets the pink mountains opposite like an abstract water colour wash; blue, pink, and more blue on top for the sky. The foreground is filled with other patterns; the adjoining bostel whose white-washed exterior was a Byzantine church, the oubliette terraces which jut over the sea at angles, and three flanking Roman arches. For focal interest, two fishermen with bowed fishing poles sit motionlessly on the sea wall and a couple of coconut palm trees curve as a frame.

History would have us believe that this picture, with the exception of the new hotel and pool, is eternal, yet it is currently being "thought" in all its guises by both tourists and Israelis, thanks to brand new architectural developments, and the fact that sunshine and warmth can be enjoyed here when it is snowing in Jerusalem or raining on the coastal plains.

The Tiberias Hot Springs, valued today for their health properties, were an important factor in founding the city of Tiberias. Tools and vessels dating back to the earliest stone age have been found around the lake shores. Recently, skull portions of a Galilean man, similar to that of the Neanderthal man who lived one hundred thousand years ago, were found in the mud canyon.

Early hunters and shepherds gazed upon sulphur-smelling springs with awe and trembling, believing that demon spirits dwelt there, until they discovered that the water gave a measure of relief to their aching limbs. Such knowledge passed from man to man in succeeding generations.

In 20 C.E. Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, built his capital city in the Hellenistic style and named it in honour of the Roman Emperor Tiberias. Its protective walls were almost a kilometre and a half long, and bits and pieces of it still decorate unexpected areas of the town like enormous ancient jigsaw puzzle pieces.

hours away from both Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. Its beauty is heralded by its surrounding agricultural area which is fertile and lush, and filled with olive groves. Grapes, grapefruit, lemons, dates and bananas flourish in its subtropical climate. Tiberias' chief charm stems from its hills, which provide each turning of its streets and roads with an interesting landscape, and with its old stone relics which are scattered at random and unexpected places. It is surrounded by the hills of Lower Galilee on the west, the steep rocky inclines of the Golan Heights on the east, and the Upper Galilee Mountains on the north. Snow-covered Mount Hermon, almost a visual twin to the famous Fujiama in Japan, overlooks the entire vista.

The Young Tiberias Hot Springs are located south of Tiberias along the coastal road. Without a doubt, this recreational and therapeutic centre is one of the most modern and sophisticated spas in the world. Before building it, intensive studies were made of similar facilities in various parts of the world, principally in Europe. Every piece of equipment has been scientifically designed; some in almost Dr. Strangeliou fashion to simplify treatment and operation. Toilet seats rise for patients who cannot bend, and elevators lower patients in wheelchairs into the various baths and pools. There are both an indoor and outdoor olympic-sized mineral pools. In addition to treatments for hydrotherapy, physiotherapy, paraffin treatment (mudpacks), exercise classes and gymnastics are available, all in glamorous surroundings with panoramic views of the lake.

Tiberias, 2,000 metres below sea level, is actually a small town with only 20,000 inhabitants that lies two

The four-star Ganel Hamat Hotel which is adjacent to the spa is also brand new. The Ganel Kinneret Hotel offers a more traditional atmosphere to those who prefer a more time-tested ambience. An entire wing has been remodelled, but its four stars were earned by its excellent old-world service.

The five-star Tiberias Plaza Hotel, with the Jerusalem Plaza a member of the Canadian Pacific Hotel chain, is calculated to convince sceptics that Tiberias is where it's at. It is a noteworthy fact that Jacqueline Kennedy, the well-known devotee of special and/or interesting places, checked in under the protective pseudonym of "Mrs Cohen" when the hotel had barely opened. (Other notorious guests include actor Lee Marvin, and folk singer Johnny Cash.)

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Today is edited by Joanna Yehiel.

Underwater aesthetics

Take the plunge, says Joan Cass.

THE RED SEA is one of the best spots in the world for scuba diving, a sport that holds little for the competitive game player, but wins top rating in aesthetic pleasure. More and more Israelis are discovering the joyful sensation of weightless freedom and the visual beauties that accompany passage underwater; and more and more tourists are taking advantage of the splendid escape around Eilat, with its magnificent coral formations and its unending parade of rainbow-hued marine life.

Eilat of nearby kibbutz Keturah, estimates that the diving population in that area has grown from 2,000 to 10,000 over the last four years.

Common sense and sport rules dictate that nobody submerge without a partner. While there are simple safety techniques and well-designed equipment available that make accidents extremely rare, things can go wrong. Eilat described a one-in-a-million freak case, where a skilled partner's air supply cut out on him, because of a blocked hose. It was an

easy matter to help him breathe his way up to the surface of the water, but he would have been in real trouble had he been alone.

To qualify for a diving license, one has to take a concentrated two-week course (six hours daily), where one learns how to breathe through a mouthpiece attached to compressed air tanks; how to control speed of descent and ascent; what depths and air pressures are safe and for how long; how to figure the amount of air left and how fast one is using it up (checking a watch that must always be worn) as well as how to aid someone in distress.

The diver is expected to file a diving log before each session at a local diving club under a licensed supervisor; and he must carry a reserve tank and an inflatable life belt along with mask, wet suit, fins and other gear.

Once divers don their masks, they use sign language. Except for five standardized basic messages, communication depends on how good they are at charades. At night they keep in touch with flash-light signals.

From a glass-bottom boat, you sometimes see the big black shape of a diver gliding by among the more brightly coloured fish. Taking a fish-eye view, the diver finds it funny to look up at the gaping eight-eyes watching him watch them.

For would-be divers, here is a list of some Red Sea scuba diving places:

MANTA windsurfing & water sports schools, Eilat. Tel. 069-2906, 2963, 2908
LUCKY DIVERS, Moriab-Eilat Eilat. Tel. 069-2749
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<p>2.10.—11.10.1979 ITMA — International Textile Machinery Exhibition תערוכת הביגוד הבינלאומי למסעדות טקסטיל בהמברג</p>	<p>20.11.—23.11.1979 INTERSTOFF תערוכת המוצרי עור בפרנקפורט</p>

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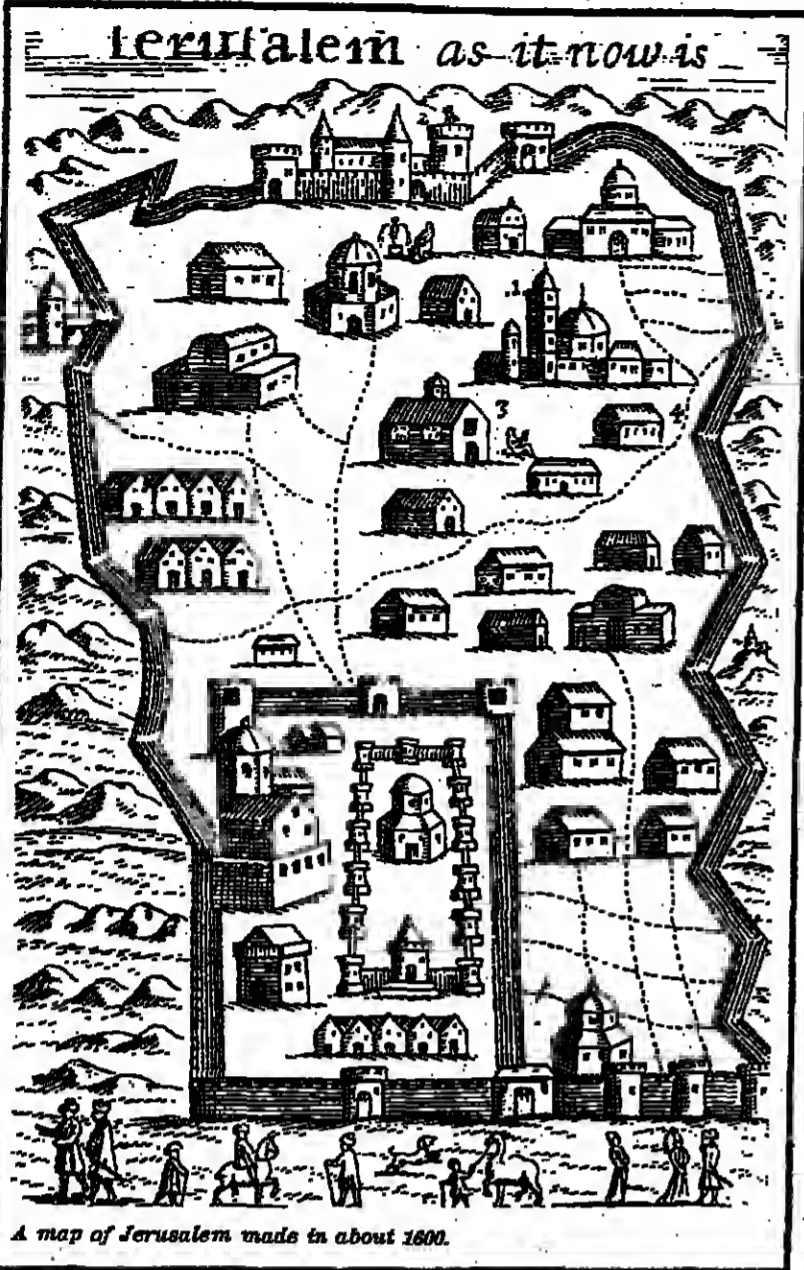
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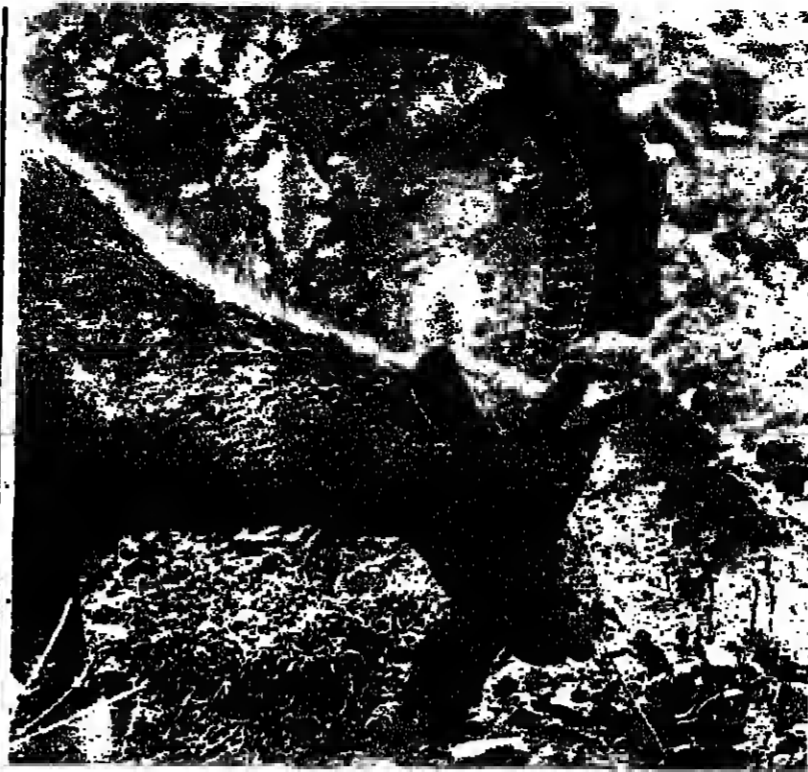
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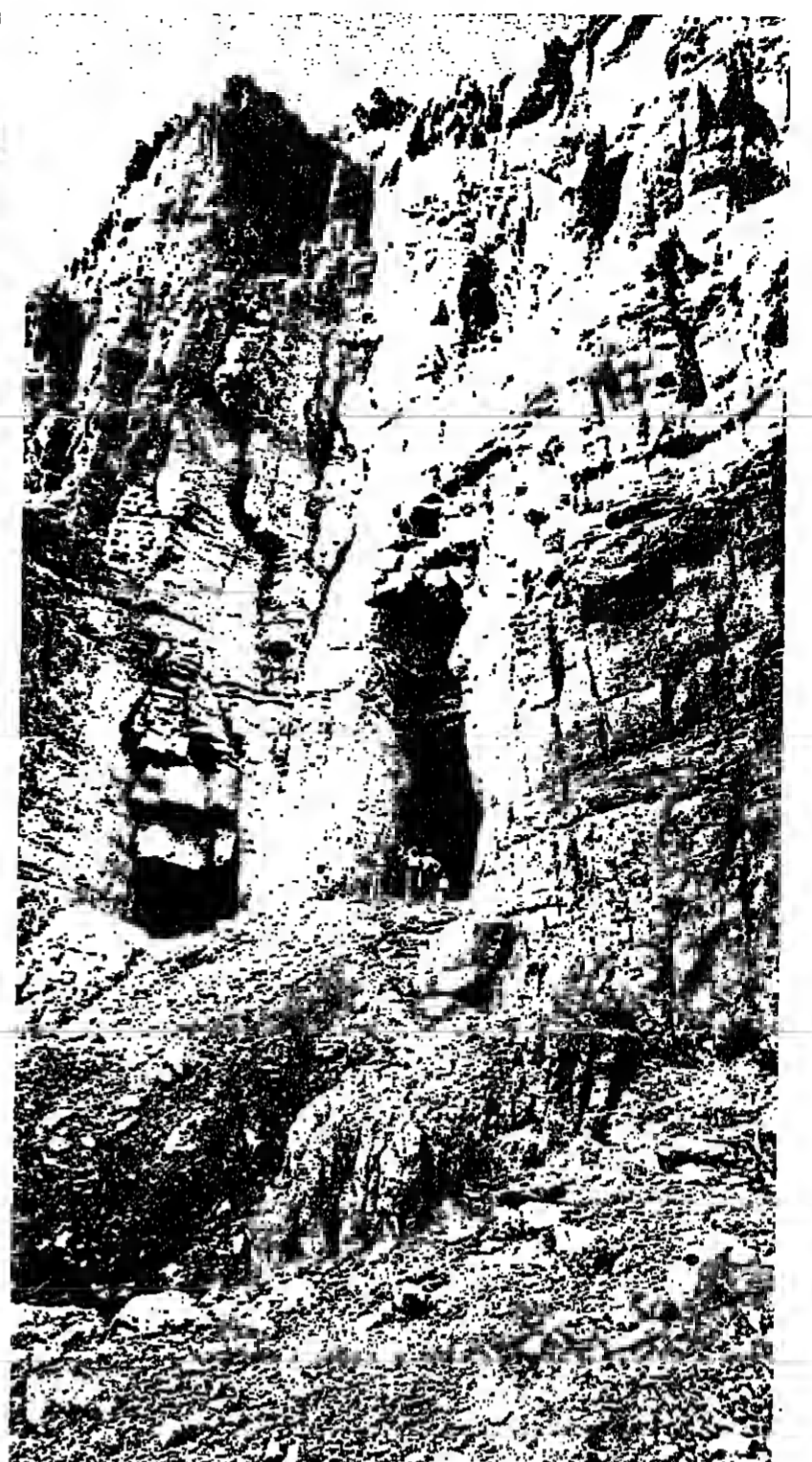
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Into the wilderness

Wendy Elliman explores the Judean Desert, home of the badger, hyena and ibex.

EAST FROM Jerusalem the Judean Hills flow into the Judean Desert, a wilderness of "savagely splendour". Deep crevices and canyons curve twisted courses through steeply sloping, stone-ribbed hills, and perpendicular walls of rock rise in places to 1,400 metres.

Hot, dry and inhospitable, the wilderness of Judea nonetheless boasts a long and august human history. Jericho, the oldest inhabited city on earth, was built just north of the Dead Sea probably 9,000 years ago, and for at least as long warriors, mystics, outcasts and rebels have wandered across the desert.

Herod the Great knew the desert too: he built the mighty fortresses of Masada and Herodium to protect his capital, Jerusalem, and his spectacular installations for capturing and conserving water can still be seen across the desert.

John the Baptist preached here, and the devil is said to have tempted Jesus on a high cliff west of Jericho. Christian monks and hermits came and still come to the caves of Judaea seeking solitary lives of spiritual introspection.

Today, Israeli settlements and fieldcrops stand out as green splashes in the rugged brown landscape, and the tents and flocks of the Beduin Ta'amra blend into the hillsides.

Distracted, abstracted or rapt, the early wanderers of Judea found in the wilderness a place of refuge or ecstasy. It is only recently that the area is being studied for its own sake and its beauty enjoyed by ramblers and hikers.

The animal and plant life of the desert is as rich and varied as its human history. The squat, short-legged hyrax or rock badger of the

desert wadis is a distant relative of the elephants that roamed the area in pre-historic times. Foxes hid striped hyenas steal from the Beduin flocks and kibbutz chicken houses, and there are about 10 leopards in the Ein Gedi region — which, according to the Society for the Protection of Nature, are not dangerous unless irritated.

Clearly, water is the key to the profuse life of the Judean Desert. The stream beds that score the area are fed by annual flash floods and strong underground springs, and all flow east to the Dead Sea, gouging winding gorges as they go.

The flash-flood watercourses tend to be the more dramatic, and most impressive among them is Wadi Daraja (Nahal Madregot). A steep and narrow gorge it has its beginnings high up by the Mitzpe Shalem observation point. In winter, the fierce rains run off the top limestone layers and thunder down through the gorge. In summer, when the danger of flash flooding is past, the athletic can climb down the wadi, descending from level to level by rope.

Trapped at each level in rocky depressions, some more than a metre deep, are the waters of the winter flooding, now green, opaque and startlingly cold in the dry desert heat.

In Wadi Muthaik, to which the dirt track that turns off the Jerusalem-Jericho highway at Mar Saba leads, the winter flood waters are only a memory. A far gentler expedition than Daraja, this beautiful trail allows the Rambler to study the magnificent rock formations and spot artfully camouflaged desert birds and animals. The wadi, which crosses beneath the road is hard to

locate, and the first time we went there we lost our way. When an IDF jeep appeared in a cloud of dust we asked for directions, but with a typical unwillingness to admit that he did not know, the driver looked briefly round at the barren lunar landscape and solemnly informed us that he did not "live round here."

Judean wadis are also cut by the cold clear springs which well up from the rocks. Disappearing underground, tumbling over cliffs and flowing into large deep pools, the spring water hubble and gurgle their way down to the Dead Sea, their course marked by shrubs, trees and flowers — and often by hikers and swimmers too. The springs rise along the fault lines of the Judean Hills: they are fed by the rains that fall to the western (Jerusalem) side of the watershed, but flow east under the ground with the dip of the strata to emerge in the wilderness.

The springs of Ein Zukim (Ein Fash-kha) surface along the shores of the Dead Sea, and a popular resort centre has grown up around them, complete with changing rooms and a cafeteria. The springs of Ein Gedi and Nahal Arugot below it have carved valleys breathtaking in their beauty. Pools deep enough for swimming are only a short walk from the road, but it is also well worth climbing up the wadis along the marked trails to the source of the springs, to explore the caves and waterfalls and for the magnificent views. Nahal Arugot has a trail known as the Ascent of the Essenes that leads steeply up the south of the wadi and down the other side across boulders and

shale. It is a hard climb under any conditions, but don't try it — you did — with a large angular and very nervous dog clutched in your arms, whose overriding desire of the moment is to be anywhere else on earth.

Ein Kelt and Ein Fara, reached from the track that turns off to the left after the Inn of the Good Samaritan, are also groundwater springs. Their plentiful waters were piped to Jerusalem by the British, whose crumbling bridges, pipelines and pumping stations stand incongruously in the desert. More recently a local Arab landowner has built an aqueduct to harness the spring waters for agriculture. The aqueduct can be followed down the wadi to the sixth century monastery of St. George, and makes a pleasant and easy descent. Except, that is, if you are sharing the pathway with a herd of goats. Surfer-footed than you and unhampered by conscience against nudging you over the side of the escarpment, they are very unsuitable aqueduct walking partners. The monastery below and the cliff-side retreats around it are still in use. One Christian hermit is said to have had no human contact for 15 years.

Over the centuries, the Wilderness of Judea has attracted an assortment of people — invaders, rebels and rulers, bandits and outcasts, farmers and engineers, mystics, zealots, hermits and preachers. But its unique beauty should not be limited to people as preoccupied as these. Ten minutes outside Jerusalem lies the desert, austere but accessible.

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Goals galore on 1st day of league soccer play

By PAUL KOHN Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The soccer league season opened with a flourish of 25 goals in the first division yesterday, and champion Tel Aviv Maccabi got off to a good start with a 3-2 victory over Petah Tikva.

Opening-day games last season, by contrast, yielded only 10 goals. The win of the day was notched by Tel Aviv Shimshon, which routed Haifa Hapoel 5-1 in Kiryat Haim. Nearly as impressive was the 3-2 away win by Hakoah over Beersheba Hapoel. It was the Ramat Gan club's debut in the National League after winning promotion. The other two newcomers to National League soccer were less fortunate: Ramat Amiram Maccabi lost 2-1 at home to Netanya Maccabi, and Petah Tikva Hapoel went down 3-2 to Tel Aviv Maccabi.

Tel Aviv Hapoel, usually a slow league starter, scored a decisive 3-0 home win over Petah Tikva Maccabi. Beni Yehuda, the Hatzikva Quarter team, beat Tel Aviv Betar 2-1 in a Tel Aviv derby. Jaffa Maccabi held Jerusalem Betar to a 0-0 draw, and Yehud Hapoel and Kfar Sava Hapoel also split points in a goalless draw.

In the second division, Jerusalem Hapoel opened the season with a 2-1 win in a match played in Netanya. Two of the teams promoted from the third division won their first games, Herzliya Hapoel beating Rishon LeZion Hapoel 1-0 and Beit She'an Hapoel beating Haifa Maccabi by the same score. Upper Nazareth Hapoel held Bat Yam to a 0-0 draw in Nazareth in its second division debut.

Already in the third minute, Petah Tikva Hapoel defender Ya'acov Butbul gave his team the lead with a cracking 20-metre shot. In the 10th minute Benny Tabak put Tel Aviv Maccabi level, from Moshe Schwitzer; and after half an hour the league champions went into the lead with a goal by Vicky Peretz from a Tak pass. Schwitzer gave Maccabi a 3-1 lead at the start of the second half. Butbul scored Petah Tikva's second goal to reduce the score to 2-3, and in the dying minutes Dov Remler missed a glorious scoring chance which could have saved a point for Petah Tikva Hapoel.

Both teams missed with penalty kicks, Yehiel Salem's shot being saved by Maccabi keeper Emanuel Schwarz and Schwitzer's shot wide from the spot. Six thousand fans saw a keen game in which the Tel Avivians always had the edge. Shimshon played one of their

classiest games for years, with their new acquisition veteran Yehoshua Feigenbaum playing an outstanding game, besides scoring two goals. It was Feigenbaum who opened the scoring in the 12th minute when he fixed onto a rebound from a Haifa Hapoel goalkeeper. Hanania Dehan put the home side level within three minutes, but Shimshon were on top throughout and added further goals through Feigenbaum, Shlomo Mizrahi, Efraim Arviv and Gideon Damti. The Haifa defence was in tatters.

Rafi Eliahu gave Beersheba Hapoel the lead against Hakoah after 33 minutes, but Giora Spiegel levelled the score for his new team just before half-time. Spiegel produced a glittering performance for Hakoah in the second half which resulted in goals by Arye Mizrahi and Spiegel himself after dribbling past two defenders and hitting a hard shot past goalie Ronnie Moskowitz. Efraim Zvi reduced Hakoah's lead late in the game. Hakoah played an open game and at no time fell back on defensive tactics. Five thousand saw the game.

Jerusalem Betar without Uri Malmilian played an efficient defensive game to keep out Jaffa Maccabi on the latter's ground.

Rifat Turk gave Tel Aviv Hapoel the lead against Petah Tikva Maccabi after 35 minutes. David Polakow made it 2-0 in the 82nd minute and Nimrod Dreifuss clinched the 3-0 result in the 78th minute. Four thousand saw the game at Bloomfield Stadium.

Eni Yehuda took the field against Tel Aviv Betar without two key players — striker Ehud Ben-Tovim, who is at odds with the club management, and Shlomo Kirat, a new signing whom the club forgot to register with the Football Association. Nevertheless, Beni Yehuda were all over Tel Aviv Betar in the first half, during which Natan Sharabi and Eytan Yefet scored goals. In the second half Alon Tubel missed with a penalty when his shot was held by goalie Nissim Djibril. Tel Aviv Betar's goal was scored by Moshe Kedar in the 70th minute.

Netanya Maccabi scored all three goals in Ramat Amiram, one of them an own goal. Mordechai Halofin scored for Netanya in the first half and David Levie put the visitors into a 2-0 lead in the second half. Netanya defender Haim Bar put a goal past his own goalkeeper Yitzhak Visker to make it 2-1, and in the closing stages Netanya absorbed pressure as Ramat Amiram strived hard for an equalizer.

RESULTS National League

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Ramat Amiram Maccabi 1, Netanya Maccabi 2-1, Tel Aviv Hapoel 3-2, Beni Yehuda 2-1, Haifa Hapoel 1-0, Yehud Hapoel 0-0, Jaffa Maccabi 0-0, Petah Tikva Hapoel 2-3, Beersheba Hapoel 3-2.

Second Division

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Herzliya Hapoel 1, Rishon LeZion Hapoel 0, Holon Hapoel 0, Tiberias Hapoel 0, Tirat Carmel Hapoel 1, Ramat Gan Hapoel 1, Beit She'an Hapoel 0, Haifa Maccabi 0, Upper Nazareth Hapoel 0, Bat Yam Hapoel 0, Hadera Hapoel 0, Herzliya Maccabi 0, Beit She'an Hapoel 1, Acra Hapoel 1, Jerusalem Hapoel 2, Lod Hapoel 1.



The first goal of the season: Yaacov Butbul (far left) of Petah Tikva Hapoel, gives his team the lead after three minutes against champions Tel Aviv Maccabi. The Tel Avivians went on to win 3:2.

Esther Roth firm on quitting sport

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Esther Roth, Israel's Olympic hurdler and sprinter, has sent a letter to the "Moscow Committee" preparing Israel's 1980 Olympic team, stating that her decision to leave competitive sport is final.

The 27-year-old athlete and her coach husband, Peter, have been upset by bad publicity in the local press over some of Roth's international appearances. They claim that some of the stories were inspired by officials of the Sports Federation.

In the Montreal Olympiad three years ago, Roth took sixth place in the 100 metres hurdles final.

Or Akiva golfers win

CAESAREA. — The former caddies from Or Akiva continue to sweep golfing competition here. Amar Yaish and Ya'acov Avinoam yesterday won the Betterball St. Ivesford pairs competition with 43 points.

The Or Akiva golfers beat the veteran pair of Etie Ben and Dennis Goldstein of Herzliya Pituh, who placed second with 42 points. Some 60 golfers participated in the competition.

Upper Nazareth men win cycling meet

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Three cyclists from Upper Nazareth yesterday won the first three places in the Hapoel cycling championships in time, tests, road racing and freestyle. Yehuda Gershony took first place with a time of 2 hours 58.11 seconds, followed by Avi Bardugo in 3:00.07 hours, and Ya'acov Hanina in 3:10.03 hours. 42 cyclists participated in the championships, which started in Ramle.

Davis Cup team readies for Monaco match

By JACK LEON Post Sports Reporter RAMAT HASHARON. — Fresh from six months of outstanding success on the professional tennis circuit in the U.S., American-based Steve Krulovitz is now undergoing intensive training with Israel's Davis Cup team for this week's European Zone tie against Monaco here.

Krulovitz, 23, arrived in Israel on Wednesday night for the second round match, which takes place at the Israel Tennis Centre's Canada Stadium from September 13 to 15. He has been competing in the current U.S. open in New York, and started off with a great straight-set victory over French champion Patrice Dominguez. In the second round, Krulovitz lost in five sets to his more fancied compatriot Butch Waltz, after leading 2-1.

Barring accidents, local champion Shlomo Glickstein and Number 2 Krulovitz will be Israel's singles racquets in the match with Monaco, non-playing captain Yosef Stabholz and national coach Ron Steels told The Jerusalem Post yesterday. The other members of the host's

Liverpool blanks Coventry, Johnson scores two goals

LONDON (AP). — Two goals from striker David Johnson helped English League soccer champions Liverpool to a 4-0 victory over Coventry City at Anfield on Saturday.

Jimmy Case and Kenny Dalglish got Liverpool's other goals. European champions Nottingham Forest lost their unbeaten record when they were held 0-0 at home by Leeds United. Leeds goalkeeper David Harvey was outstanding.

Manchester United scored a fine 0-1 win at Aston Villa to take second place behind Nottingham Forest, while a Mark Proctor goal for Middlesbrough was enough to defeat Norwich at Ayresome Park. Derby County scored its first win of the season by coming from 0-2 down to defeat Arsenal 3-2. David Langan's opening goal for Derby was the first this team had scored this season.

Aston Sunderland and Frank Stapleton had given Arsenal a 2-0 half time lead, but Langan and Alden McCaffrey pulled Derby back on level terms and John Duncan grabbed a last minute winner.

Arsenal had beaten Leeds 7-0 in the League Cup in midweek. A late goal also earned Everton a 3-2 win at Stoke. Sammy Irvine scored an own goal 10 minutes from

RESULTS Division One

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, D, L, P. Aston Villa 0, Manchester United 3, Bolton 0, West Bromwich 0, Ipswich Town 1, Bristol City 0, Liverpool 4, Coventry City 0, Middlesbrough 1, Nottingham Forest 2, Stoke City 2, Tottenham 1, Wolverhampton 1.

RESULTS Division Two

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, D, L, P. Manchester United 3, West Bromwich 0, Bristol City 0, Coventry City 0, Southampton 1, Norwich City 1, Everton 2, Leeds United 2, Brighton 2, Crystal Palace 1.

Simmons' three hits help Cards end Expos streak 5-4

NEW YORK (AP). — Ted Simmons stroked three hits and flied in three rallies as the St. Louis Cardinals beat Montreal 5-4 and stopped the Expos' 10-game winning streak on Friday night.

Simmons gave the Cardinals the lead for good, at 3-2, when he came home from third in the fifth inning with the help of a Montreal error. Simmons' RBI single and Scott's sacrifice fly built the Cardinals' lead to 5-3, helping them withstand a two-run uprising in the ninth by Montreal. Earlier, Simmons singled in a two-run Cardinal second that tied the game at 3-2.

Bob Forsch, 9-10, was the winner while Steve Rogers, 12-9, took the loss. Elsewhere in the National League, the Chicago Cubs snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 4-3 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies as Barry Foote delivered a tie-breaking double in the ninth.

Larry Herndon knocked in three runs with two singles and a double to lead a 13-hit San Francisco Giant attack that buried the Houston Astros 9-2. Gary Thomasson's ninth-inning sacrifice fly scored Steve Garvey with the winning run as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-5.

The San Diego Padres scored seven runs in the first two innings with the help of home runs by Gene Tenace and Dave Winfield and got six-hit pitching from Eric Rasmussen to whip the Atlanta Braves 8-0. Dave Parker's single drove home the tie-breaking run as the Pittsburgh Pirates scored twice in the 14th inning for a 6-4 victory over the New York Mets.

In the American League, Gary Roenicke broke a tie with a seventh-inning home run and Al Bumbry paced the Baltimore attack with three hits as the Orioles defeated the Boston Red Sox 2-1. Jim Sundberg's eighth-inning single drove in Willie Maki and the tie-breaking run and Bump Willie's ninth-inning single drove in Mickey Rivers with the winner, giving the Texas Rangers a 5-4 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

Lou Whitaker drove in two runs with a homer and a triple and scored twice, sparking the Detroit Tigers to a 6-0 victory over the New York Yankees. Toby Harrah homered to start Cleveland's six-run ninth inning, then won the game with a single inside the third base bag, rallying the Indians to a 9-8 triumph over the Toronto Blue Jays.

John Wathan's bases-loaded double delivered two runs in Kansas City's four-run sixth inning and carried the Royals to a 6-2 victory over the Seattle Mariners. Dan Ford drove in three runs with a single and a tie-breaking homer while Nolan Ryan pitched a four-hitter for his second victory since July 13 as the California Angels recorded a 6-3 triumph over the Milwaukee Brewers. Rickey Henderson opened the bottom of the 10th inning with a triple and scored on a bases-loaded error by Harry Chappas to give the Oakland A's a 4-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, PCT., GB. Pittsburgh 84, Montreal 79, St. Louis 70, Chicago 72, Philadelphia 70, New York 64.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Baltimore 82, Milwaukee 83, Boston 79, New York 76, Detroit 75, Cleveland 72, Toronto 46.

Friday's Games: Chicago 4, Philadelphia 3; San Diego 5, Atlanta 6; Los Angeles 5, Cincinnati 3; Pittsburgh 6, New York 4; 14 innings; San Francisco 9, Houston 2; St. Louis 6, Montreal 4. Friday's games: Baltimore 2, Boston 1; Cleveland 9, Toronto 6; Detroit 6, New York 9; Texas 5, Minnesota 4; California 6, Milwaukee 5; Oakland 4, Chicago 5, 10 innings; Kansas City 9, Seattle 2.

Essex champions as stumps are drawn

LONDON (AP). — Derek Randall, dropped by England for the last time against India, hammered his second century of the county championship cricket match for Nottinghamshire against Middlesex at Trent Bridge on Friday. Following his first innings 209, with a century 146, he still could not prevent the match ending in a draw.

Turner, but champions Essex slumped to defeat against Yorkshire, who scraped to a one wicket victory. England, fast bowler Bob Willis took five for 41 as Warwickshire beat Kent by an innings and 174 runs. Final standings: Essex 23, Yorkshire 22, Warwickshire 22, Surrey 22, Sussex 22, Kent 22, Leicestershire 20, Lancashire 20, Hampshire 20, Gloucestershire 20, Northamptonshire 20, Derbyshire 20, Glamorgan 20.

Lloyd, Austin in U.S. singles final

NEW YORK (AP). — Chris Evert Lloyd, fighting for her fifth straight U.S. Open tennis singles title, beat another four-time champion, Billie Jean King, 6-1, 6-0 in Friday's semifinals.

Lloyd will meet third-seeded Tracy Austin for the \$39,000 first prize and an unprecedented fifth straight singles crown today. Austin yesterday beat Martina Navratilova 7-5, 7-5.

groundstrokes with precision and passing King when the 33-year-old veteran tried to come to the net. King, the No. 9 seed who had upset fourth-seeded Virginia Wade en route to the semi-finals, was unable to get an attack going against the 24-year-old Lloyd.

After each player held service to start the match, Lloyd broke for a 2-1 lead and then allowed King just two points in the remainder of the first set. And the second set was never close.

Ministry of Communications NOTICE to Residents of Rishon Lezion, Rehovot and Environs. Because of a special operation to increase the number of telephones in the district there will be no reception hours at the Regional Telephone Service Office in Rehovot from Sunday, September 9, 1979.

The Ministry of Communications IN TEL AVIV announces changes in telephone numbers. Effective Friday, September 14, 1979, at 2 p.m., numbers beginning with the digit 5 will change to six-digit numbers: From this changeover time, a 6 is to be added at the front of the number. Otherwise, numbers are unchanged. Example: The number 53967 becomes 653967. Remember! Correct dialling avoids unnecessary additional overloading of the exchange. Overloading means less efficient service.

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POLITICS AND BROADCASTING

YITZHAK ROEH argues for a more liberal approach to news presentation and warns against demagoguery in the broadcasting administration.



Yitzhak Roeh

PERHAPS, after all, there's not much wrong with the chairman of the Broadcasting Authority acting in a manner that does not seem to fit the best standards of public behaviour and attacking one of his subordinates from a public platform.

He has done it before and, as a pedantic legalist, he will surely be able to conjure up some written regulation that will grant him formal protection from attack by his critics.

Perhaps there's not much wrong with all this, for it gives the public a chance to know what worries the Broadcasting Authority chairman, what he is driving at. And there's certainly cause for worry over what he is driving at.

Less than 24 hours after the "Almost Midnight" report on the raising of meat prices, Professor Reuven Yaron, chairman of the authority, was already at pains to point out to a captive audience the unwarranted nature of its comments.

Yaron, it appears, is punctilious about listening to the show and zealous in burning the midnight oil in order to enter its sins to his little black book. And what precisely did he record this time as an example of the "politicization" of broadcasting by broadcasting staff members? He pounced on a parenthetical sentence in my remarks, without even quoting it exactly (nor could he have done, so quick was he to adduce it to proof of what he knew in any case in advance).

Rolling out to his audience in his heavily earnest, obviously demagogic tone, his repetition purported to be an innocent replay of just what had been broadcast. But this was not so, for the tone in which the remark was broadcast conveyed a sense of identification with the viewers, while on the lips of the chairman next morning it assumed an angry sanctity; the tone in which it was broadcast was one that conveyed a sense of community, understanding and gentle, forbearing humour; but on the chairman's lips it was transformed into mocking irony. To such his own ability to give to his words an accompanying sense of grace, each the capacity to discern differences in nuance.

WHAT, IN FACT, I said (and I am not quoting exactly, because in any case the written word can never be identical with the spoken) was no more than a smiling comment along the lines of, "And if it will boost your morale at all, we'll just add that the reason for the increased price of meat is connected with price rises on the world market."

To a viewer whose lack of malice matches my own, to one who is free of the fear of black Mafia plots at every turn, these words cannot have been interpreted as a distortion of information, as an attack, heaven forbid, on the government that had just put up the price of meat, or even as "editorializing," for which should be read "politicization."

There is not a shadow of truth in such allegations. This is demagoguery, and we must warn against it, for we have already seen its signs previously. The chairman has already taken note of the smiling tone of voice, of the fireside-chat style that seems to him to threaten the credibility of objective news, and for his part he would prefer a sterile style. His preference does not run to a newscaster using normal human language; no, he would rather "the news itself" be brought to the viewer in a language not the newscaster's own.

believe in this approach, who really think there is such a thing as "the news itself." But the news itself is always selected by someone. It is always judged, is always given some form or other, is always presented in some order of priority.

THERE IS, of course, another possibility, though a sterile one: supreme truth derived from a divine providence or authority of unquestionable righteousness, or from a total set of values subscribed to by all with equal fervour (for, indeed, such a system would be nothing more than a set of interests and interested parties) — and if this is done, then it follows that there will be no variety of intonation, no parenthetical sentences, no emdies;

all will be serious, official. Clearly, such a state of affairs would be far more convenient to one seeking calm and even a dumb silence both in broadcasting and among the viewers.

Our chairman's fear of the spoken word that carries a nuance, a certain smiling tone, disturbs me greatly. Such fears, particularly when they are expressed not within Television House itself in a spirit of down-to-earth criticism, but rather screamed forth in public, bear the disturbing hallmarks of a budding totalitarianism. For it is important to remember that in uttering such fears in public one is pandering to the crowd, which will always include those who fear ounces, who seek a monolithic certainty. And this is, in fact, just what happened: so sooner was the word "politicization" out of Yaron's mouth than some of his audience immediately applauded and clamoured for more.

Faced with earlier carping criticism by Yaron (and I would not be writing this had the chairman himself not taken to the barricades), I have already told him that it would never occur to me to abandon my habit of speaking in normal language, in words that are more than a monotone, that go beyond the mere pronouncement of "the important news itself," that I would not adopt the neutral voice of a broadcaster who is simply handing down the truth from above, but that I would put it differently, I have already told him that it would not occur to me to adopt the tone he tries to dictate to me — with the smile, above all else, strictly forbidden.

WERE THE chairman to look at

what worries other public representatives of greater sensitivity than he evidently possesses (at men who are out identified, as he is, with a particular political party, who do not serve on the leadership councils of the ruling party, at that), he would learn (from Britain, for example) that there is a profound fear of what is termed, "the bias against understanding."

The fear of several researchers and broadcasters is that rather than helping the public understand what is going on in the world, the communications media cut us off more and more, pile misunderstanding on misunderstanding.

Clearly the whole issue is far too complicated to be gone into within the framework of the present argument, but I have no doubt that what the chairman is encouraging — that sterile Hebrew, that attempt to present the news as if it spoke for itself — will only add to the media's existing tendency to contribute to a lack of understanding among the public, that it will strengthen what sociologists term "narco-tization" (which clearly runs counter to the aims of democratic broadcasting, which must be to awake and to promote understanding).

Language which seems, on the face of it, to make no pretence at objectivity, which even acknowledges an element of subjectivity, which permits a degree of comment on what is under discussion, even a certain smile, can serve as a tool to aid the listener in understanding the reality, to comprehend the forces at work within it.

But representatives of the regime who have status and power within society are not infrequently interested in listeners understanding less, rather than more.

The author is the anchorman for the "Almost Midnight" television programme.

Message for Washington

THE BREAKTHROUGH made at the Hafa talks lies in President Sadat's emphasis on a return to a more realistic sense of timing on the intractable autonomy issue.

It is only a few weeks since Sadat was quoted as insisting on a breakthrough in the desultory autonomy talks by October, or at the very latest by the magical date of November 19, the second anniversary of his visit to Jerusalem.

In his summing up appearance before Israeli editors on Thursday, Sadat openly spoke of the proposed autonomy stage as a transitional period and was obviously in no hurry to rush the autonomy talks along inordinately.

The Americans are the ones who have been pushing for speed in the talks, primarily by pressing for further Israeli concessions.

The American interest, immediately after the signing of the peace treaty last March, was largely based on fears regarding Sadat's ability to survive the onslaught of all the other Arab states who lined up against him in the Rejectionist Front.

Since then, however, American pressure for speed has been dictated largely by the barely veiled Saudi threats regarding the continued unimpeded supply of oil.

Washington has much to learn in this respect from Sadat. The Egyptian president may have been guilty of some slight exaggeration in pointing to the picture of disarray and instability that is today's "rejectionist" Arab world. If so, he exaggerated very slightly indeed.

Iraq has just gone through a murderous coup; Syria would seem to be on the verge of internal disorders of major proportions; and Sadat's comment in regard to the Saudi rulers, cryptic as it may be, correctly points to the real threat to the continued flow of Saudi oil to the West: namely, internal disorder rather than anger at Sadat or animosity towards Israel.

Washington cannot have it both ways. In agreeing to the Camp David accords, which calls for a carefully phased approach to the solution of the Arab-Israeli dispute, it clearly renounced its earlier commitment to the Geneva concept of striking out for a "comprehensive solution" in one fell swoop. Its actions since March, however, seem to indicate a desire to return to the Geneva concept.

Sadat has understood what Washington refuses to acknowledge: that these two paths are basically incompatible. There can be no meaningful progress on the Palestinian issue before either the Palestinians or Jordan are prepared to follow in Sadat's footsteps.

Neither the Palestinians nor Hussein are prepared for such a change at present. But in the unstable Arab Middle East patience remains the supreme virtue. That is why agreement on a transitio period on the Palestinian issue was crucial in making the Egypt-Israel peace treaty possible.

Adherence to that concept of deliberate and phased progress on the Palestinian issue is a lesson the U.S. should learn from Sadat. It is the message Ambassador Strauss should take back to Washington after his meetings this week in Cairo and Jerusalem.

Marking time in Arkia

THERE ARE different versions of Arkia Airlines' financial condition, depending on whether one asks the buyer or the seller. According to the seller, that is, the company itself, its assets are worth over IL400m.

According to the (would-be) buyer, a group made up of Kanaf Holdings and others, they would not fetch more than IL330m. But the company's debts are crippling, on any reckoning — amounting to not much less than total assets.

The new Acting Manager, appointed six weeks ago, has a plan for rehabilitating the enterprise. This comes after Arkia was put up for sale. A number of investors responded, but only Kanaf's application is still outstanding.

It appears that the decision to sell will not be revoked. The only difference is over the bid. Kanaf have offered \$2.5m., or IL67.5m. at the present exchange rate; against which they will take over the whole concern, debts and all.

The owners, the Government and the Histadrut, are ready to approve this deal; but the pilots of Arkia have asked for a respite.

The offer by Kanaf deserves consideration, because they already possess an airline, Kanaf-Arkia. As its name denotes, it is half-owned by Arkia itself. (The daughter company is, paradoxically, trying to buy its own parent company.) Kanaf-Arkia has a fleet of small planes and does private charter work in a businesslike manner.

Arkia proper has been anything but businesslike. It is over-equipped. Two full-sized BAC jets hang like an albatross round its neck. It is over-manned, and the staff's emoluments have — unfortunately — been influenced by the largesse that prevails in El Al.

The breaking-point came with the handover of Sinal to the Egyptians. But the loss of this market should not be overplayed. There is plenty of work for the airline inside Israel and to neighbouring ports of call — provided inflated costs are pared down, so that reasonable fares can be charged.

At the present moment Israelis find it almost as cheap to journey to Greece in an El Al Boeing as to go to Eilat by Arkia. It is the need for a cost-cutting exercise that makes the pilots and other staff members bridle. There will have to be dismissals — the employees recognize that; but they would like to keep the sacrifices to a minimum.

Their latest idea is to take over the company themselves, hopefully in partnership with a private investor, who would obligingly fork out the capital. Their first preoccupation would necessarily be the humanitarian one of keeping as many of their colleagues as possible on the payroll.

The chances are that Kanaf-Arkia could do that better. Air transport cannot be run on a shoe-string. Arkia must become a full-sized concern, large enough to enjoy economies of scale. Kanaf is already in the aviation business. The two companies together, with pooled resources, might have the size and flexibility to do the job.

The pilots should think of that. It is late in the day to seek another option. Further delay will mean further deficits, and in the end there may not be any buyer left, not even Kanaf Holdings, for their ailing airline.

READERS' LETTERS

AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Israel will never be able to obtain the complete support of America. Both Israel and America have the same political system that allows freedom of speech and press. No matter what is done, there are always some who disagree, and they usually express their opinions the loudest. Don't misinterpret these voices as the majority.

There are two major trends that are daily affecting a greater majority of the American public. First of all, we are slowly realizing that the oil problem is our fault. The price of oil, like any other commodity is determined by supply and demand, and we are the cause of the world's excess demand. The Arabs may try to blame part of their price changes

on Israel, but it is us, not you, who give them oil as a weapon. The sooner we curb our appetite, start conserving, and develop alternatives in energy, the sooner we will free ourselves from oil blackmail. Each day, more and more Americans realize this.

Secondly, the vast majority of Americans, including the 24 million non-Jews as well as the 6 million Jews, have a great deal of trust and pride in Israel. This type of confidence is built on your strength, not your weakness. Make your decisions on what's best for you. With the experience in Iran, you are our only long-term military ally in the Middle East — and who wants a weak ally?
BRUCE BRENNER
Herzliya (Roanoke, Va.)

GOOD INVESTMENT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As one American taxpayer to another, I would like to answer Mr. N. E. Walsh, of Cottonwood, Arizona (August 14).

We Americans have aided a great many nations during the century. A lot of these have ended up as bad investments. Nations we have supported have turned against us, supported our enemies, bad-mouthed us, and almost all have defaulted on loans to us.

Israel is the exception. Most of the aid given to Israel has been in the

form of loans and Israel has never defaulted on a payment to the U.S. (Only Finland has an equally fine record.)

Israel has stood in the way of Communism in the area. At the behest of our Government, Israel stopped the Syrians from causing a PLO take over of Jordan in 1970. Israel has been an untiring source of information to our country in matters of Soviet ordnance and tactics. In short, aid to Israel has been one of our country's better investments.
YETA JACOBS
Cincinnati, Ohio.

MOCKERY OF JUSTICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The High Court of Justice appears to belie its name. Justice is impartial. Yet the High Court has slashed the seven-month jail term of Avigdor Arkin to 100 days, "taking into account his Zionist past in the USSR and noting that, although reprehensible, his motives were pure" (September 3).

If his motives were reprehensible, how are we to understand that they were at the same time pure? A young man who attacks innocent elderly people and smashes up their furniture is to be given a still lighter sentence because of his "Zionist" past and his "pure" motives? What strange reasoning!

The High Court decision not only insults the victims of this pure young man, not only besmirches Israel's already far from pure image, but makes a dangerous mockery of

justice in this country by condoning brutality and lawlessness in the name of its brand of fanatical "Zionism."

Would a young Arab behaving in a like manner have his motives so sympathetically interpreted for him by the same High Court?

The Kaach movement is jubilant and the winner of the High Court decision. Judaism, Zionism and Jews throughout the world are the losers.
ANNA BIEGUN
Tel Aviv.

BUS TICKETS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I note that Egged asked for a further increase in bus fares to round figures, on the grounds that it costs too much to make change.

In every American city I have visited, passengers are compelled to have the exact fare ready when boarding a bus, and the money is deposited into a special receptacle next to the driver, who does not handle cash at all. If a passenger has not taken the trouble either to purchase a book of tickets at a discount in advance, or to see that he has the right change, he is permitted to drop into the box an amount more than the required fare, or he has to get off the bus.

Egged should take steps to make it easier for the public to purchase multiple tickets to advance by employing more agencies. The Sporto curb-side vendors would make ideal agents for selling bus tickets.
IAN COHEN
Herzliya.

MAIL CENTRES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Although I personally have good postal service, the idea of mail centres (August 22) seems a good one. But will miss the postman's ring for registered letters. Are we to go to the post office for that?
A. JACOBSON
Haifa.

Sir, — I fervently hope that thousands of your readers will write to you in protest against the "glad tidings" announced by Shlomo Amhar of the Ministry of Communications (August 22).

For months, we have been plagued by late distribution of incoming mail. Now Mr. Amhar promises the Israeli public that, in the foreseeable future, distribution of incoming mail will be "handed" by mail centres, where the public will stand in line to receive all mail. I earnestly hope that this idea will be put on ice.
ELI EOTHSCHILD
Tel Aviv.

PENFRIENDS

D. S. MAHARAJ of 23 Kies Avenue, Reservoir Hills, Durban, South Africa, is a retired schoolmaster who would like to correspond with Israelis with a view to exchanging stamps.

GREGG C. COLAN (34), of 6112 N.W. 81st Place, Tamarac, Florida 33321, works in educational administration and would like to correspond with an Israeli woman between the ages of 21 and 34.

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THE STATE OF ZIONISM IN ISRAEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On my fourth visit to Israel and my last before I become a new immigrant, I am appalled at the state of Zionism in Israel.

By definition, I am an active Zionist. I have studied the language, read the polemics, engaged in countless demonstrations, discussed endlessly the shortcomings of Israel, and will soon attempt to reach the ultimate level — successful ally.

Have I finished my chores? I throw the gambit to Israelis and the plethora of new immigrants that populate this country. What do you do that is Zionist today? Is serving in the army, doing your reserve duty, paying exorbitant taxes, and fighting for your physical, economic and moral survival your response? This defines an Israeli, but not a Zionist. When I question my Israeli friends and relatives on their Zionist

activities, embarrassed shrugs are observed.

Worries still are the activities of the government leaders outside of Israel. I concede that foreign aid is vital for the country, but I condemn Israeli officials who address the Israel Bonds and UJA dinners, bypassing those most likely to make ally.

When we come, use our resources and talents. Allow us to address high-school and college age groups that are touring the country. Alter the education curriculum to enable Zionism to be a living entity and not an archaic collection of writings. If Israel does not change its present course, Zionism will shrivel and decay, leaving a withered land owing its allegiance and survival to foreign dollars with its sole chance of existence depending on its army.
MARK B. FELDMAN
Jerusalem (Santa Monica, Ca.)

TRAVEL TAX

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The suggestion by Dr. Jacob Rosin (August 26) to reimpose the travel tax is the wrong approach and reveals a disturbing train of thought.

The solution to our economic ills including inflation is:
1. Prompt collection of all taxes — out imposition of new ones.
2. Increased productivity.
3. Efficient and maximum use of manpower.

The Israeli citizen already pays one of the highest tax rates in the world. If he manages to save enough to go on an overseas trip, why should he be penalized further?

N. J. MENDELSON
Haifa.

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